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On October 21, four students from Bristol County Agricultural High School visited the Massachusetts State House for recognition of the team's placing first place at the 89th National FFA (Future Farmers of America) Convention and Expo. From left to right: Bridgette Roy (Rehoboth), Alexandra Bettencourt (Raynham), Molly Ross (Rochester), Jacqueline Poplawski (Norton). Photo courtesy Molly Ross

On the Cover: *Three, two, one! Charge!!! Participants in the 2017 Freezin' for a Reason Polar Plunge on New Year's Day took off running towards the frigid waters of Mattapoisett Harbor, shocking off that old stale energy from 2016 and emerging from the water refreshed and renewed, ready for 2017. Proceeds from the event go towards the financial support of local residents during their battles with cancer. Photo by Colin Veitch*

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Still Freezin' for a Reason

By Jean Perry

Plunging into the frigid cold water in the wintertime might appear as a one-time-only item on the bucket list of some people, but there are actually people – some of them your own neighbors – who have made the annual Freezin' for a Reason New Year's Day Polar Plunge a yearly tradition.

Take the Fagan family, for instance. This large group of Santa hat-donning plungers of multiple generations ranging in age from 10 to 59 made the 2017 polar plunge their third year participating in the event.

Doreen Fagan of Mattapoisett, speaking for the entire group, said it's easy to take the plunge when you've got a bunch of "crazy kids" who look forward to the New Year's 'swim' every year.

"And we love it," said Fagan, thankful this year's 41 degrees was a rather mild morning to take the plunge, unlike their first plunge in 2013 when it was well below the freezing point.

In the background, the bonfire heated up a small radius of readying swimmers pre-plunge, and the song *Eye of the Tiger* played from the loud speaker to get the crowd pumped.

Marion resident Mark Claudio in his "Stay Strong Nick" T-shirt was down to his swimming trunks as he stood fidgeting with his three walleyball buddies, two of which were plunging with him. Frank Farrell, 72, of New Bedford, admitted it was his first-ever polar plunge as Claudio handed him a small bottle of an orange "liquid adrenaline" of sorts, as Claudio put it.

Claudio's son Nicholas, a student at ORR well

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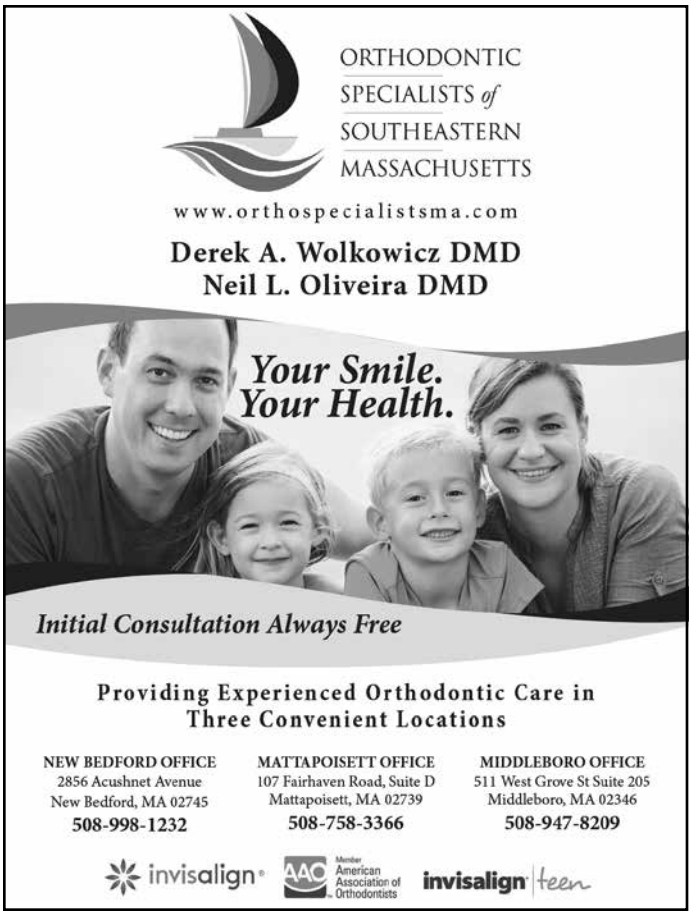

known for his participation in the ORR Drama Club, suffered a brain tumor at the age of 9, which left him blind. Claudio has made the annual polar plunge a way of showing support for his son.

Claudio gave Farrell a primer on what to expect when the cold water hits you.

"When you run in, you go crazy," said Claudio. "As the cold water hits you, you feel a little 'woop woop woop' and you say, 'Yeah!'"

Mark Audette added, "The adrenaline helps you not feel how cold you really are."

Nearing noon, the plungers lined the edge of the water, with a few apprehensive children dipping their toes first into the water to gauge their reactions. More people stood on that beach that winter's day than on the hottest day in summer.

As the countdown began, voices increased in volume as they shouted in unison 3, 2, 1 – followed by a lot of screaming and splashing.

It's a sight to behold and it's all over way too quickly – for the spectator, that is. There were perhaps one or two people who lingered longer in the water, taking an actual swim, and a few who thought once wasn't quite enough and returned to the water for Round 2.

"The community came out big time this year," said Michelle Huggins, whose family organizes the event. "It's a powerful day. Humanity packs a huge punch in

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Mattapoisett New Year's Day."

The Hugginses started this annual polar plunge five years ago and have raised thousands of dollars through their organization "I Will" for Tri-Town families struggling with cancer.

"Compassion is all around us on the beach. You can feel the energy. Plungers and spectators are all so elated and energized," Huggins said. "We have so many generous souls that come together to make this event happen."

I'll Be Home For Christmas (2012)

By Marilou Newell

A writer needs a healthy combination of inspiration and imagination. For this writer, it is first and foremost inspiration because my imagination has never been one of flourish, color, texture and taste. Nor would I trust my imagination to weave such fantastic tales as those which real life can and will provide.

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all through the filters in my mind. This holiday season has found me once again pondering the importance of personal relationships and processing – endlessly processing – experiences, memories, and themes of the past.

Christmas is that perfect mixture of pain and joy. Possibly, as we age, the scales swing more towards the pain side than joy; for surely even happy memories of Christmases past make us remember those who are no longer with us.

Unhappy memories are gifts we'll never be able to return. We are left holding the scales, trying to keep them balanced for the sake of the people around us. Nothing is ever truly fair, but we try, don't we?

And so when I visited the now infamous nursing home to spend some quality time with my mother, the contrasts were what I saw – the young visiting the old and infirm, the capable assisting the incapable, those still with cognition and those whose cognition has long since ceased to provide a clear point of reference. And I saw my mother, whose small life had become smaller still.

She had been to the hairdresser in preparation for her day out of the old age jail. She was invited, wanted, at her great-granddaughter's home for Christmas Day. There she would be queen of the day.

I'm glad for her and for myself. For her, it will be a few precious hours released from the living hell of a nursing home. For me, it means I won't have to endure going there to see her. We are both free for the day.

On this Christmas Eve afternoon as I find her freshly coifed and dressed in new clothes ready to enjoy as best she can, along with the entertainment that would be available in the dining room, her mood is decidedly pleasant. I push away visions of other Christmases where

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she'd spend hours crying or hollering or withdrawn into a depression none could penetrate. Today, she is smiling and full of good cheer.

We go into the room where the entertainer is setting up his electric keyboard, microphone, and amplifiers, and talking to the cute CNAs whose job it is to position the residents' wheelchairs in such a way that all can see and hear. I place my mother's chair smack dab in front of the entertainer's equipment where I'm sure she'll be able to hear the music. A mere 10 feet from the amp should do it, I figured.

Ma has been deaf and going deaf since she was in her sixties. Over the years, she's had various hearing aids, all of which she would eventually declare pieces of junk. These recent years, in spite of collective best efforts to get her equipment she'd use, all have failed. We've given up. We set our voices on stun volume in order to speak with her. It does make having any kind of pleasant conversation nearly impossible as one strains one's voice in a tone she may hear and then have to repeat oneself at least twice.

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"Oh well, what do you expect, it is winter." And thus we labor along, me smiling at her wondering if her daughter is going soft.

The entertainer excitedly looks out at his audience – the frail, now physically impaired, some incontinent, others paralyzed, blind, deaf, even speechless beings that are known as residents in this facility. He smiles broadly, animating his every movement and facial expression in an effort to give them the best show he can. I see a middle-aged man with some limited talent whose work has gotten him this far, but whose core is one of kindness and tender mercy. He wants them to enjoy themselves; regardless of their condition, he'll give them a show.

I note he has the ability to play some pretty good jazz chords. I'm enjoying watching him and studying

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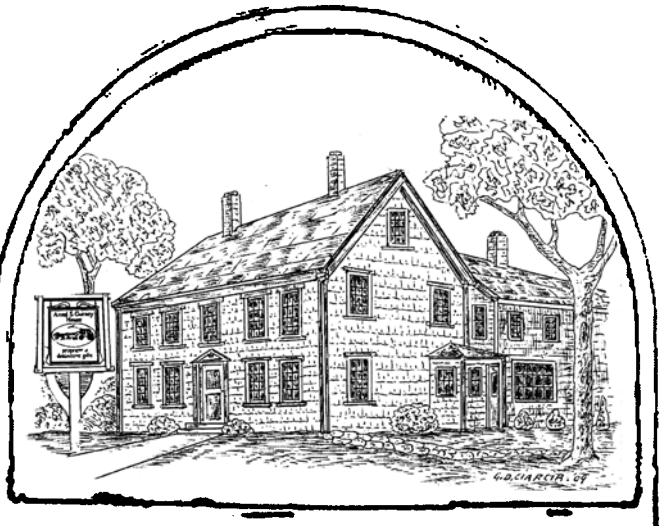

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his technical abilities as I understand them to be after spending all my adult life providing musical training for my son. This guy is good. He tries his best to get the folks to sing along and, after a bit, many are joining in as best they can.

One resident is tapping the fingers on his working hand, another knows all the words to the songs and sings along with tears streaming down her face. I turn to my mother and she motions for me to come closer so she can speak to me.

For some time now, my mother's ability to speak has been rendered nearly gone due to a series of mini-strokes and congestive heart failure, which affects her breathing. I place my right ear as close to her mouth as possible with my chin resting her on chest. The end of her cold nose is now in my ear but I don't move even though I know her nose is runny. She says, "What is this damn fool trying to sing?"

Oh, classic Mother lives, I think to myself. That mother who could find fault with Andy Williams, Perry Como, Dean Martin, Frank Sinatra, Harry Belafonte, sometimes even Elvis (perish the thought) – ta da! Here she is. I smile as I pull my face away from her and am pleased that my ear is not wet.

I don't really respond to her verbal assault on this poor working schlep, opting instead to shrug and nod while tapping my foot in rhythm to the electronic pre-programmed beat.

White Christmas, Santa Claus is Coming to Town, Silent Night, Joy to the World, Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree and all the seasonal favorites roll out and over the assembled.

One CNA is dancing in between wheelchairs, stopping here and there to get a resident more involved in the world around them while shaking a tambourine. She wears a headband of reindeer antlers with blinking lights and a loud red sweater. I think she is adorable. My mother is ready to share another thought with me.

"Doesn't she know she looks like a damn fool?" Oh, the urge to tip her out of her wheelchair is tempered by my deep desire not to sink to her level. I smile.

Then the entertainer makes a song choice mistake. I hear the sad and all too familiar first notes of *I'll Be Home For Christmas*. I think to myself, this guy can't possibly understand how cruel it is to play this song.

Obviously, many in the room won't have a clue what he is playing, including my deaf mother, but many others will and will be reminded that they are never going home again – you can't go home again never, not fully, not ever – even me.

Tears threaten, so I rather abruptly get up and say to my mother's ear, "Time to go!" As I search to find a way to escape the song through the labyrinth of wall-to wall-wheelchairs, I hear him say, "Oh, let's leave that

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and pick it up a notch," launching into a lively rendition of *Jingle Bells*. But I'm gone in spite of this wiser musical choice.

One and a half hours is about all I can stand on a good day outside in the sun on the grounds of this place, never mind a gray Christmas Eve afternoon in close confinement with the poor folks stuck in hell. I install my mother at the reception area where she wants to stay instead of going back to her room.

"If I'd known it was that damn fool, I wouldn't have bothered getting out of bed today."

I make goodbye noises, kiss her, and promise to see her soon while making a speedy exit out the door.

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How clean and fresh the air always seems to me after time spent in that altered universe, that time warp of pain, that 'end of the world.' I find deep breathing beneficial and, oh so necessary, as I walk to the car.

On the drive home, I see their faces: the faces of all those people who once had lives, a rich fabric of family, friends, events and abilities – all now in tatters. They are the remaining shreds of humans; they are the result of a medical institution that can keep them alive, even if not living. I see the faces of people who were once young and who could never have imagined an ending such as this. Like my mother, they are in this holding station between living and dying.

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Recently, my mother cried that she couldn't bear the fact that all her grandchildren were moving away from her. What she really meant was that life was pulling away from her, pushing her further and further towards the abyss of nothingness. She felt sorry for herself and would not be consoled that this was the natural progression of things (To everything turn, turn, turn, etc.).

I don't blame her, though. If I had as much awareness as she does and woke up each day to find it wasn't a nightmare but my real existence, the nursing home, I'd cry too. She can never go home again. She won't be home for Christmas, not even in her dreams.

The Mystical Raven

By George B. Emmons

As a birdwatcher, have you ever seen a raven? Not as frequently sighted along Buzzards Bay, the raven is at least twice as big as the similar-looking common crow or fish crow, with a different sounding guttural croak, often seen high overhead while nesting in elevated trees or roosting on narrow ledges of rocky cliffs.

Considered a passerine or perching species, ravens have the largest-size brain for their body size of all birds and are known around the world for intelligence high enough to overlap with humans, second only to the porpoise.

The raven mystique dates back to Nordic mythology where two by the name of Hugin and Munin each represented the power of thought and reason. In England, ravens are still kept as guardians of the Tower of London because of the medieval superstition that their presence there assured that this iconic landmark would never fall.

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Even in the new world, Native American folklore believed them to be spiritually sacred. Ravens continued to border upon a paranormal relationship with humans more recently in the poem by Edgar Allen Poe in a creative portrayal of a remarkable talking bird, knocking on his door with lyrics of a rhyming mystical 'Lenore' that lives on in American literature as a real life person.

Poe's choice of a raven to play the part of a lovelorn character role may be because they normally mate for life after performing an aerial courtship dance ceremony, with male and female locking talons in flight to spiral down towards Earth and not letting go until the last second.

Being cleverer than most birds, they have a way of getting what they want through cooperation and communication with each other, and, like humans, using tools to pry and extract food from crevasses.

Like crows, the raven is known to mob other predators and steal some of the morsels of a carcass. It is especially known, like seagulls, for dropping clams on rocks to open them up or picking up stones to fly overhead to warn unwanted visitors of its nesting site or fledglings (as illustrated) and dropping them in an accurate trajectory while uttering an unfriendly sounding 'glug' to show their intrusion displeasure.

As we begin a new year with each passing day of more daylight hours, birdwatching becomes more

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rewarding and significant. My greeting of the season for you as a reader is to "look skyward, angel" to find creative and artistic inspiration as we share the wonder of it all.

Rochester Bristol Aggie Student Wins FFA Award

By Jean Perry

Winning the FFA Veterinary Science Career Development Event Championship is no small feat. In fact, Bristol County Agricultural High School senior Molly Ross of Rochester said even she wasn't expecting her team to beat out all other 40 participating states.

The journey began back in January of 2016 when Ross and three other animal science majors at Bristol Aggie competed at the state level and won after a series of opportunities to show off and be tested on their knowledge and skills in veterinary science. This brought the team to the state finals in September where, again, the team took first place.

"We've always done well at the state level, but not great," said Ross. "We weren't expecting this at all." The Bristol Aggie team, however, has won at the state level over the five years it's been participating in the competition.

In Indianapolis back in October, the four were subjected to a series of exams and tests to exhibit their skills learned at Bristol Aggie. Ross, who is a large

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"You also had to prove that you could identify equipment, identify animal breeds, and parasites," said Ross.

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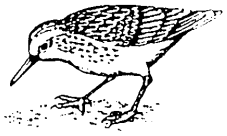

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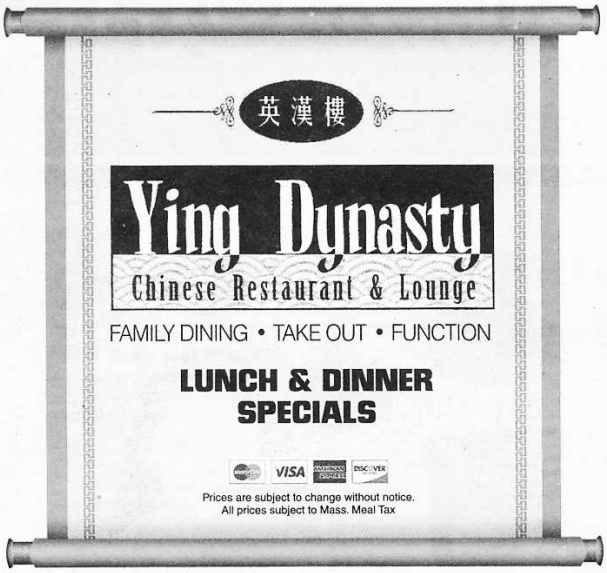

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"For that, we received a perfect score," Ross said.

There are a lot of aspects involved in the competition, said Ross. Intense studying for months prior to the national competition was all part of the big picture.

"The best way to describe it is 'intense studying,'" said Ross. "After a certain point, we studied so much that it wasn't going to stay in our heads for long, but at least we'd seen it."

On October 21, the team was presented with plaques for their achievement during a banquet after the event. In December, the four were guests at the State House and were honored with certificates on the floor of the House of Representatives.

"It's a big deal," said Ross of the team's accomplishment. "Even Texas came in second place to us. There were kids from Idaho that were just in shock."

Ross says she plans on attending UMass Amherst next year, majoring in animal science. She said it's a hope of hers that she will one day make a name for herself in the field.

"This experience has shown me what I can do," said Ross. "Bristol Aggie is a really great place for me. There's a lot of hands-on learning, I've learned a lot, and it's opened a lot of doors for me. I can't imagine having been anywhere else."

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Police Apprehend Suspect of Recent Thefts

By Jean Perry

Police appear to have discovered the suspect of a rash of car break-ins spanning the Southcoast from Dartmouth to Marion after a suspect was apprehended following a December 31 home invasion and vehicle theft from the same address.

The home invasion follows a slew of unlocked car break-ins on Converse Road in Marion, as well as several in Mattapoisett the day after Christmas in the areas of Point Connett, Tupola Lane, and Atkinson Way.

The suspect allegedly entered the home during the night while the residents were asleep, stole the keys to a Toyota Avalon parked outside and absconded with the vehicle, which was later spotted in New Bedford.

After surveillance of the suspect, the police apprehended the suspect at a home in New Bedford where police, with a search warrant, found a number of the reportedly stolen items inside the location.

Rochester also experienced a number of home thefts between December 21 and 28, although police have not disclosed whether these break-ins were related to the most recent Marion incidents.

A Rochester Police Department press release dated December 28 states: Rochester Police are investigating two housebreaks in the past seven days. The first break occurred on Wednesday, December 21 in the100 block of Mattapoisett Road. Entry was gained through an unlocked door. Electronics and jewelry were taken.

The second break occurred Wednesday, December 28 in the 300 block of North Avenue. Entry was gained by forcing a door open. Electronics were taken.

Police are asking residents to keep an eye out and report any suspicious activity immediately by calling 911.

The name of the suspect has not yet been released and the incidents are under investigation.

Town Issued 'Fine' for Sprague's Cove Seawall

Marion Board of Selectmen

By Jean Perry

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Town of Marion a 'mitigation' in the amount of $33,539 for the unpermitted placement of a rock seawall formation at Sprague's Cove years ago.

The mitigation is clearly punitive in nature and basically a fine, said Town Administrator Paul Dawson to the Board of Selectmen on January 3.

A certified letter was delivered to the Town House on December 7 alerting the Town to the decision, which Dawson said he considers rather arbitrary since over the past couple of years since the seawall first became an issue publically, the Army Corps of Engineers had appeared to support the Town's efforts to apply after-the-fact, as instructed, to get the wall permitted.

Dawson told selectmen that he has been trying to reach a number of contacts with the USACE over the holidays, to no avail. He is hoping to either reduce the fine or get it eliminated entirely through the means of a non-monetary mitigation of sorts.

The Town has 60 days to appeal the fine.

"But it does appear that in the worst case scenario it would be a payment of $33,000 for the unpermitted sea wall," said Dawson.

Selectman Stephen Cushing said he found the USACE's decision "baffling," since he was under the impression that the matter was relatively "put to bed" by now.

Resident Sherman Briggs was not about to let the selectmen simply put the matter to rest that easily, however.

Briggs would not accept the board's assertion that the party responsible for authorizing and building the wall was unknown to the board.

"Who trucked the stones over there? Who lined them up and placed them?" Briggs demanded to know. "I really think it's time that you people start paying attention to what's going on in this town."

Cushing took offense to Briggs, and Cushing's voice increased in volume steadily as he shot back at Briggs. (Think of the scene between Tom Cruise and Jack Nicholson in the film *A Few Good Men).*

"What are you trying to say?" said Cushing to Briggs. "Go ahead, ask the question! You're here for a reason…"

Briggs insisted he didn't have an ulterior motive and continued pressing the board for a name of who authorized the work in the first place.

"I'm not stupid," said Cushing louder. "Come on, Sherman!" he dared Briggs.

"No idea," asserted Briggs.

"Don't play dumb with us," said Cushing. "You don't come in here for no reason!"

Briggs looked to Dawson to answer the question as to who built the wall and Dawson stated that he did not know.

Then who does know?

"Somebody made the decision to do it and that's all I'm saying," said Briggs.

After the meeting, Chairman Jody Dickerson told the press that the board would be looking into who authorized and built the wall.

"We will find out who it is," Dickerson stated.

In other matters, also during the meeting, Shea Doonan's proposal to establish a half-acre aquaculture site at Mittens Flats was subjected to opposition from residents and, this time, Tabor Academy, whose representatives state that the school uses Doonan's chosen oyster farm area for sailing lessons and crew boats for rowing.

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Selectmen appeared to be in support of Doonan's application until Harbormaster Isaac Perry told the board that allowing Doonan to move forward with the permitting process with the state would represent "a big leap of faith" on behalf of the selectmen regarding the board's faith in Doonan's abilities as an oyster farmer without any real track record to show for himself.

"At this point, we have nothing to approve," said Perry, pointing out that Doonan has no concrete plan for the site. "Before we give public lands, it has to be based on something…"

Other residents close to the site stated that the water was too shallow, froze in winter, and was not ideal to raise oysters, to which Doonan rebutted point by point.

In the end, though, selectmen were eager to praise Doonan for his passion and dedication, but would not provide him with that leap of faith.

"I think you've done a great job coming forward," said Dickerson. "My only concern is … you don't really have a track record like the harbormaster indicated. If you had a track record, I would support you 110 percent on this."

Cushing commended Doonan for his efforts, but he ultimately concurred with Dickerson.

"Unfortunately … I can't support you at this point here," said Cushing,

Doonan, visibly upset by the selectmen's

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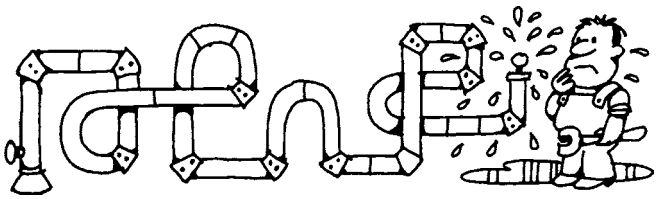

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conclusion, pleaded for the board to continue his hearing rather than close it out to give him time to establish himself with the half-acre site he recently acquired from retiring oyster farmer Catherine Brodeur. Doonan thinks that keeping the hearing open and continuing it might save him some time later should he attempt to move forward again with the project.

The board continued the hearing for June 20.

Also during the meeting, selectmen held a dog hearing over an alleged attack by a pit bull owned by Gregory Silva on another dog owned by Andrea Giokas on Rocky Knook Lane.

After hearing testimony from both sides and arguments from the two parties' attorneys, Selectman Dickerson and Selectman Steve Gonsalves (Cushing recused himself as an abutter to Silva) deemed the dog "dangerous," requiring Silva to forego his newly installed electric fence for the following: the dog must be manually restrained at all times; Silva must take out an insurance policy on the dog; the dog must be contained when outside within a dog pen with four sides and a roof and floor; and when taken off the property, the dog must be leashed securely and muzzled.

The incident occurred on October 10 when Silva's rescue pit bull "Cal" ran down the driveway into the street where he attacked Giokas' dog, biting it twice.

Silva offered to pay for the veterinary bills and then subsequently installed an electric fence around the perimeter of his yard, but Giokas' attorney, as well as a dog trainer testifying on behalf of Giokas, asserted that the electric fence was not suitable enough to contain the dog.

Silva maintained that Cal had never attacked another dog, nor had it ever shown aggressive behavior, saying that Cal was more skittish than aggressive. Some others from the neighborhood who commented expressed safety concerns over the number of pit bulls on Silva's property and admitted that they avoid walking by the house whenever possible out of fear of the animals.

Silva's live-in girlfriend referred to Cal as "a love big" and Silva testified that Cal was a loving, friendly dog that caught up in a moment of "chaos" outside the home.

The next meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen is scheduled for **January 17** at 7:00 pm at the Marion Town House.

Committee Responds to Town House Critics

Marion Town House Building Committee

By Jean Perry

Perplexed by a proposal to form yet another committee to study town house project options, the original Marion Town House Building Committee on December 29 expressed their preference to first meet with critics of the current town house project trajectory before a formal meeting with selectmen on January 26.

On December 21, Planning Board Chairman Robert Lane and Finance Committee Chairman Alan Minard approached the Board of Selectmen, asking to form a committee to exclusively study the viability of building a new town hall at the VFW building recently acquired by the town at 465 Mill Road.

Town House Building Committee members, who have been working together for roughly two years progressing towards a town house renovation and expansion that is feasible yet palatable to taxpayers, were taken aback somewhat, surprised that neither Minard nor Lane had ever approached the committee with their idea, nor had they ever attended a committee meeting over the past months.

Committee members shared their reaction to the selectmen's indulging Lane's and Minard's committee request in a recent letter to the editor written just after the December 17 meeting.

"We are frustrated and puzzled by this plan," wrote Meg Steinberg, Wayne Mattson, and Bob Raymond, members of the THBC. "This decision directly contradicts [the selectmen's] prior reasoning. Such a plan undermines the integrity of the Town House Building Committee and the professional consultant team who continue to conduct a fair and unbiased study of the issue."

During a discussion amongst themselves, committee members went further to say that they

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were uncertain whether Lane, who the committee acknowledged made his career building office buildings, clearly understood how a municipal building project could differ from a regular office building project when it came to specifications.

"[Lane and Minard] didn't have a clear proposal on how they were going to get it done," said Raymond, after he commented that selectmen basically "kicked the can down the road" by allowing Minard and Lane to start a new building study committee. "I'm not sure they know what's involved in this project."

The notion had committee members asking, why form another committee to duplicate the work one already has done for many months?

The timing of the acquisition of the VFW was a factor, supposed committee member Lynne Crocker.

"It landed in our laps just as we were tying everything up," said Crocker. "It threw a monkey wrench into the whole thing." Crocker then suggested, "Maybe we should just lay low and leave it to the selectmen now."

The committee agreed that it would be more amiable if Lane and Minard would attend the town house building committee's next meeting on January 12 at the Marion Town House, before the January 26 meeting when both parties will address the selectmen.

Benefits Come With Student IDs

ORR Update

By Jo Caynon

Although handed out this past fall, some students – and parents – may not be aware of the benefits they could be cashing in on by using their ORRHS student ID card.

The plastic cards, which were handed out after picture day, list the student's name, grade, school name, school ID, and the school year. While nothing flashy, this reporter has found the ID card to be extremely useful not only in the area, but also when traveling to other areas of the country.

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This also proved true when in the TSA security line at an airport. When asked to present identification to match to the name on the given airplane ticket, a student ID was accepted in lieu of a driver's license. (Note: this may not hold true for every airport and it is a good idea to also bring one's passport).

Setting up a student's first bank account can require a photo ID for the student as well. Without the presence of a driver's license, this reporter had her student ID to prove her identity, along with other necessary forms.

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To the Editor:

The Marion Selectmen have recently decided to evaluate the use of Community Preservation Funds for a separate study group to now explore building a new Town House on the VFW site.

We are frustrated and puzzled by this plan. The Selectmen have previously instructed the Town House Building Committee that Community Preservation Funds may only be used for our additional exploration of renovation designs and not for new design.

This decision directly contradicts their prior reasoning. Such a plan undermines the integrity of the Town House Building Committee and the professional consultant team who continue to conduct a fair and unbiased study of the issue.

The final site selection cannot be based solely on construction costs. Liz Brainard has recently outlined the many important aspects of keeping the Town House functions at their current location: vitality of the village center; convenience and proximity to other commercial and community activities; and ease of pedestrian access. In addition, preservation of one of the town's most historically and architecturally significant structures adds much intrinsic value to the town's historic character and charm. This cannot be measured in dollar value alone, especially when new construction is unlikely to reduce costs significantly.

The Town House Building Committee continues to review and compare options for both renovation on Spring Street and new construction at the VFW site. Considerable funding has been allocated to this effort over the past five years. Scaled-back programming and reduced size are now being considered, per the Selectmen's direction. We request the continued support

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of the Selectmen and the community to complete our charge, not to dismantle our progress with yet another committee and the improper use of Community Preservation Funds for a study on new development.

Sincerely yours,
Wayne Mattson, Bob Raymond, and Meg Steinberg

Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Mattapoisett CoA

Everyone is invited to the Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging. Note: the corrected date is Saturday, **January 21** at 10:00 am in the Conference Room at the Mattapoisett Free Public Library. Our guest speaker is Jennifer McIntire, President of the Mattapoisett Historical Society, who will talk about the Museum & Carriage House.

This January, the Friends of the CoA (originally formed as the Friends of the Elderly) will be celebrating their 27th Anniversary. We are so grateful that our 'founding fathers' were diligent and intent on building an organization that has stood firmly with the Mattapoisett Council on Aging to support our Seniors in ways far exceeding their expectations.

We sent out our 2017 membership applications with the January 2017 issue of the FMCoA Seasonings. We trust you will complete and return yours. We also hope you will support the Friends with an hour or two of your time and expertise to help us carry out programs, ideas and functions in the coming year.

You may download a copy from www.mattapoisett.net > Council on Aging > 2017 Friends of the Mattapoisett COA Membership Application. The direct download path is http://www.mattapoisett.net/sites/mattapoisettma/files/uploads/2017_friends_application.pdf. Drop off your completed application at the Senior Center at Center School, 11 Barstow Street. Include your check made out to the Friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging or mail it to: Friends of the Mattapoisett Council on Aging, Inc., P.O. Box 1116, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

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Marion Republican Town Committee

The Marion Republican Town Committee will conduct its next monthly meeting on Monday, **January 9** at 7:00 pm at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, Marion. Please join us. The public and new members are welcome.

Welcome in the New Year at Open Table

Come celebrate the New Year at Open Table! You're invited for supper on Friday, **January 13** at the Mattapoisett Congregational Church! The menu is usually a surprise but it's bound to be something delicious. There is no charge, although donations are gratefully accepted. At Open Table, it's all about the food, fun and fellowship. Doors open at 4:30 pm and the meal will be served at 5:00 pm. This is a community event and everyone is welcome.

Marion Art Center Events

Member Pre-sale Event for The Occasion Singers Love Songs Concert. Following a sold-out holiday concert in December, the Marion Art Center is pleased to once again host The Occasion Singers, who will help celebrate Valentine's Day with a concert of love songs on Friday, **February 10** and Saturday, **February 11** at 7:30 pm. From Tuesday, January 17 through Friday, January 20, MAC members (for the current membership year, which runs from August 1, 2016 to July 31, 2017) will have the opportunity to purchase concert tickets before they are made available to the public. Ticket cost is $15 for MAC members. Non-members will be able to purchase tickets beginning Saturday, January 21, at a cost of $18 per ticket. All pre-sale purchases must be made in person at the Marion Art Center during regular gallery hours. Unfortunately, MAC is unable to accommodate any requests for holds and/or reservations. Both general seating and cabaret seating (for parties of 4) will be available on a first come, first served basis.

Open Auditions for *Enchanted April*. On Saturday, **January 14** from 10:00 am until noon and on Sunday, **January 15** from 7:00 to 9:00 pm, open auditions will be held at the Marion Art Center for its spring production of *Enchanted April* by Matthew Barber. The two-act period dramedy is a 2003 Tony Award nominee for Best Play and is based on the novel by Elizabeth von Arnim. Feeling lost in the shadows of marriage and post-WWI society, two unhappy London housewives rent a villa in Italy for a ladies-only holiday retreat, reluctantly recruiting a pair of difficult upper-class women to share the cost and the experience. Under the Mediterranean sun, the four

women clash – and then begin to bond and bloom – until men once again upset the balance. The play calls for five women and three men of varying ages. Production dates for the show are March 31, April 1, 2, 7, 8 & 9. Kate Fishman will direct.

Mattapoisett Lions Club

Mattapoisett Lions Club will have a dinner meeting at The Masonic Building, 13 Spring Street, Marion, on Wednesday, **January 11** at 7:00 pm. This meeting is open to men, women and couples from the Mattapoisett and Marion area interested in community service. Reservations are required, by email to lionsmembership1@gmail.com or call 508-758-2345.

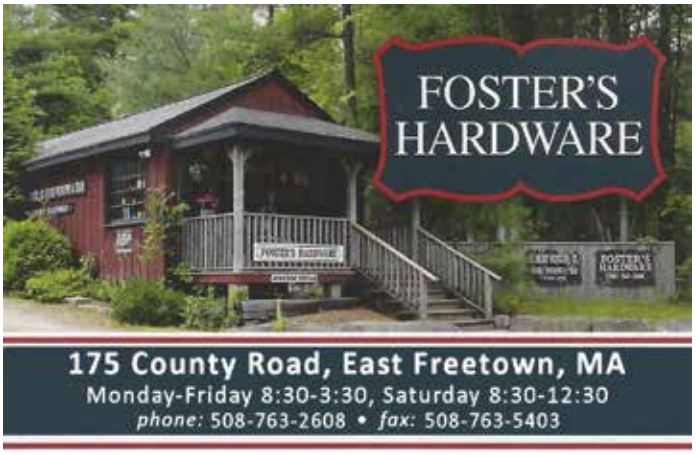
Calling All Photographers

The Mattapoisett Historical Commission is creating a Visitors' Guide. The guide will be filled with information both historic and current, things to do, points of interest, and other details important to a day-tripper or long-term vacationer who wants to find what makes Mattapoisett "special."

But we need your help. The front and back covers of this nifty pamphlet require great pictures of Ned's Point Lighthouse and Shipyard Park/wharf/harbor. Some images for interior pages may also be needed. If you have pictures you'd like to share with a wider audience and are willing to donate the images to the Town of Mattapoisett/Historic Commission, please send your entries to marilou_newell@comcast.net. Please include your full contact information and details about the photographs such as season, time of day, etc. Spring, fall or summer scenes preferred. Photographers will receive authorship credit. Monetary compensation or prizes are not being offered. All photography should be submitted no later than March 1, 2017. Winners will be notified by April 10.

Gateway Youth Hockey

Squirts: On Saturday, December 24, the Squirts defeated Plymouth 7-0 in an early morning game in Bourne. **Brayden Cannon** opened the scoring on a feed



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from **Patrick Tripp** midway through the first period. **Josh Gifford**, **Ben Hebbel**, **Liz Kilpatrick** (2), **Patrick Duggan** and **Tommy Clavell** all had goals in the win. The defense set up the scoring with assists from **John Goll** (3), **Mike Brown** (2), Tripp and **Bree Killion**. In net, **Ryan Killion** stopped all 12 shots he faced.

On Monday, December 26, the Squirts packed up and headed south to Bridgeport, CT to play in the Doritos Holiday Bash. The team opened with a tough 3-1 loss to the Wonderland Wizards. Hebbel had the lone goal on a solo effort. In net, R. Killion stopped 26 of 29 shots. However, the team bounced back on Monday night with a 9-0 win over the Stamford Sharks. Hebbel, Cannon, **Brayden Hathon**, and Clavell each had two goals and Tripp added one. R. Killion stopped all eight shots in net.

On Tuesday morning, on little sleep, the Gladiators faced off against the host Bridgeport Doritos and skated to a 7-7 tie. After falling behind early in the first 3-0, the Gladiators fought back with a Clavell goal from close range and a B. Killion goal from the point to end the first period down 3-2. The Doritos extended their lead early in the second to 5-2, but again the Gladiators fought back with a pair of Hebbel goals and a Hathon rocket to end the second tied 5-5. The Doritos regained the lead with two early goals in the third, but the Gladiators stayed tough and pulled off a late game comeback with a goal from Clavell to get within one. As the final minutes wound down, the Gladiators pulled R. Killion for an extra skater, Patrick Tripp, who ended up being the difference maker. With one minute left, Tripp buried a shot from the top of the circle to tie the game at 7-7.

The Squirts finished the tournament in third place while having a great few days in Connecticut.

On Saturday, December 31, the Squirts returned to action in the Yankee Conference with a 3-3 tie against WHK. In net, **Nate Wilson** was stellar, stopping 19 of 22 shots. On offense, Tripp got the Gladiators going early with a goal. Hebbel fought through defenders for an end-to-end unassisted goal midway through the first and then repeated the effort late in the second to contribute two goals.

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Pee Wees: Gateway Gladiators Pee Wees started the New Year off right against the Coastal Stars on Sunday.

In the first period, **Ty Rebeiro** put the team up early with an unassisted goal and was followed by another goal, this time by **Joe Urnek** with an assist by **Connor MacLeod**. Rebeiro then scored his second of the period, assisted by Urnek, and **Thomas Leger** made it 4-0 Gateway with an unassisted goal. In the second period, Rebeiro completed an early hat trick with an assist by Urnek, and then added a fourth tally, assisted by **Lucas DeMoranville**. In the final frame, Rebeiro scored his fifth goal on the night with an assist by Leger, ending the game with a 7-2 Gateway win.

SouthCoast Progressive Voices

SouthCoast Progressive Voices, along with co-sponsor Citizens for Economic Justice (both sub-committees of the Fairhaven UU church's Social Justice Committee), invite all to attend a free educational presentation at 7:00 pm on Wednesday**, January 11** in the Church Auditorium, 102 Green Street in Fairhaven, entitled *Keeping the American Promise: Challenging Corporate Power and Money in Politics*.

The speaker will be Jeffrey D. Clements, Founder and President of American Promise; Former Massachusetts Assistant Attorney General; and author of the book *Corporations Are Not People: Reclaiming Democracy from Big Money and Global Corporations*. This book has been deemed the definitive guide to overturning the Citizens United vs. FEC Supreme Court decision and gaining control of the influence of money in our elections. Mr. Clements was CEJ's invited speaker last year to address students and the general public on this topic at The UMass Dartmouth School of Law.

This program ties in directly with the pressing social issue of our time: escalating inequality. Please plan to come and hear this dynamic presentation by one of the more active advocates for us gaining back control of our democracy.

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The Bittersweet Comedy, *The Gin Game*

Theatre One's production of D.L. Coburn's Pulitzer Prize winning play *The Gin Game*, under the direction of TOP's Artistic Director Peg Holzemer, opens **January 13** for two weekends at the Alley Theatre, 133 Centre Street, Middleboro. It is a powerfully bittersweet comedy, focusing on the relationship that develops between nursing home residents Fonsia Dorsey (Kathy Bourne of Middleboro) and Weller Martin (Omer Courcy of Taunton) during a series of gin games. What begins as a tentative friendship quickly turns into a battle of wills; however, their need for companionship keeps the game going until all their cards are laid on the table. Theatre One's Talented Ensemble members, Kathy Bourne of Middleboro and Omer Courcy of Taunton, take on *The Gin Games* challenging roles of Fonsia Dorsey and Weller Martin. Kathy has been part of Theatre One since 2004 and has performed in TOP's Second Act Reader's Theatre, Slice of Life New Works Program, Staged Radio Performances of *The Thin Man* and *The Shadow Knows*, Paul Zindel's *Miss Reardon Drinks a Little* and *Ladies of the Alamo*, Neil Simon's *Prisoner of Second Avenue* and recently Steven Dietz's *Paragon Springs*. Mr. Courcy, a company member since the 80's, and since being a part of bringing Theatre One back in 2004, has performed in TOP's Second Act Readers Theatre, Slice of Life New Works Program, Neil Simon's *Prisoner of Second Avenue*, David Mamet's *Speed the Plow* and most recently, Steven Dietz's *Yankee Tavern*. Show times for *The Gin Game* are Friday and Saturdays, January 13, 14, 20, 21 at 7:30 pm and Sunday Matinees on January 15-22 at 2:00 pm. Doors open one half hour prior to performance. There is some language. General Admission tickets cost $20; Senior and Student tickets cost $18. Cash only at the door. We collect food donations for the Middleboro COA Senior Pantry at all our performances. Come join the fun with Theatre One, bringing a little bit of Broadway to your backyard. For more information, call 1-774-213-5193.

Forbidden Broadway: Greatest Hits

The Laurel Tree players is giddy with delight and anticipation for its 27th season as they prepare to perform the fast-paced, full of life with lots of energy musical morsel, *Forbidden Broadway: Greatest Hits*. Anyone who enjoys Broadway musicals will get a big kick out of this brilliantly wicked show. Under the direction of Maurice Ouellette, *Forbidden Broadway: Greatest Hits* opens on Friday, **March 24** at 8:00 pm with two other performances on Saturday, March 25 at 8:00 pm and Sunday, March 26 at 2:00 pm at Holy Family Holy Name School.

The hit show was conceived and written by Gerard Alessandrini and is a three-time winner of the prestigious Drama Desk Award for Outstanding Revue. The show, in its various editions, has been performed over

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9,000 times in more than 200 U.S. cities as well as playing in London, Tokyo, Singapore and Sydney. The *New York Times* calls this show "Continuously riotous!" and *The New York Post* calls it "Gut- bustingly funny." *Forbidden Broadway: Greatest Hits* is designed to be a satirical, cabaret-style review. Alessandrini has rewritten the show numerous times over the years parodying Broadway musicals. The show combines the funniest and most well-known moments from the show. Laugh out loud as the cast parodies selections from *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Annie*, *Wicked*, *Les Miserables*, *Phantom of the Opera*, *Cats*, *Rent* and many more moments from the Great White Way.

Forbidden Broadway: Greatest Hits is a shoo-in for both the intimate venue and the company. The Laurel Tree Players have been delighting and entertaining audiences for 27 years. Over these years, critics have heralded their productions as "exemplary illustrations of well-wrought theatre," and lauded as "stylish" and "sassy" with "the best comic acting in the area!" The show is designed and directed by Maurice Ouellette with musical direction by Teresa Ouellette and Pauline Brazil Debalsi, and features a talented cast including Ricardo Aguiar, Taylor Cormier, Katie Gregory, Robert Gracia, Audrey Maigret, Adriana Misteroni, and Sue Staniunas.

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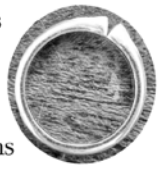

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NBSO Presents An American in Russia

On Saturday, **January 21**, the New Bedford Symphony Orchestra presents its third music director finalist in concert when Yaniv Dinur conducts An American in Russia.

Dinur, currently Assistant Conductor of the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra, started his conducting career at age 19, performing with the Israel Camerata, the youngest conductor ever to conduct an orchestra in Israel. He has conducted orchestras throughout the world and has worked closely with such world-class musicians as Lorin Maazel, Michael Tilson Thomas, Pinchas Zukerman, Gerhard Markson, and Kurt Masur.

The NBSO concert program begins with Short Ride in a Fast Machine, a breathlessly brief, thrilling orchestral composition by American composer John Adams. Then internationally renowned pianist Yakov Kasman joins the NBSO to perform Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto No. 4. The program closes with Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4, the height of Russian Romantic music and a stormy journey of the tormented composer dealing with his own identity.

The concert will take place on Saturday, January 21, 7:30 pm, at the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center in downtown New Bedford. Please join us before the performance for Mr. Dinur's pre-concert talk at 6:30 pm in the Penler Space (adjoining the Z), free and open to the public. Concert tickets are $25-$60, with $10 student tickets (not available online). Purchase tickets through the Z box office, 508-994-2900, or online at www.nbsymphony.org. Free and convenient concert parking is available in the Z garage. There will also be an opportunity to meet Mr. Dinur at an after-concert reception in the Penler Space. Concert sponsor is Whaling City Sound; reception sponsor is Russell Morin Catering & Events.

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Mariner Youth Soccer Association

The Mariner Youth Soccer Association will hold its Annual General Meeting on **January 17** at 7:00 pm in the Parent Conference Center at Old Rochester Regional High School. All members of the Association are welcome to attend. For more information, contact marinersoccer@gmail.com.

Sippican Choral Society Begins

The Sippican Choral Society resumes rehearsals on Monday, **January 16** at 7:15 pm at Wickenden Chapel on the Tabor Academy campus in Marion. New members are welcome to join the chorus simply by coming to the first rehearsal.

The chorus will be rehearsing for its spring concert to be held on Sunday, April 23, 2017 at 3:00 in Fireman Hall, Marion. The concert, entitled "Testament of Freedom," has a patriotic theme as the Tri-County Symphonic Band joins us in offering uplifting and engaging music for everyone involved. In addition, a small chamber choir, to be chosen by the Music Director from among chorus members, will perform.

Rehearsals begin promptly at 7:30 every Monday evening, but singers are asked to arrive by 7:15 pm for the first rehearsal in order to register and receive music. All voices are welcome (soprano, alto, tenor, and bass), and tenors are especially encouraged to sing with the chorus this year.

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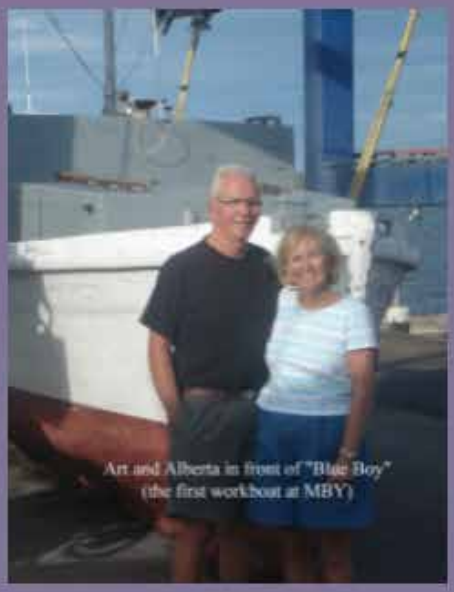

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January Activities at the Marion COA

Marion COA Learning & Leisure Lectures for January take place at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street. They are all free and open to the community.

Movement is Medicine: **January 9**, 12:45 pm. Pain is an increasingly significant public health issue, affecting more Americans than cancer, diabetes, and heart disease combined. While pain often leads to decreased movement and activity, research has shown that exercise is imperative to maintaining health and reducing pain. Physical therapists can help to evaluate musculoskeletal dysfunction and advise with an appropriate exercise program to reduce painful symptoms and maintain mobility in order to participate in family and community activities. Don't let pain control you. Please join us for a discussion on how physical therapy can help you take the control back! Presentation by Chiron Physical Therapy.

The Art of Ancient Greece: **January 23**, 12:45 pm. Jill Sanford will give a brief, yet thorough, overview of the amazing innovations in Ancient Greece's pottery, sculpture and architecture. With an emphasis on Greece's famous Classical time period, we'll make connections with ancient Rome as well as with our own culture.

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30, 12:45 pm. Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution is the world's leading, independent nonprofit organization dedicated to ocean research, exploration, and education. Their scientists and engineers push the boundaries of knowledge about the ocean to reveal its impacts on our planet and our lives. Join Kathy Patterson as she gives us an overview of the invaluable work that is done there of understanding the oceans for the benefit of our planet and our future.

Chair Yoga with Pamela Smith Paquette will be free for the month of January. Chair yoga will be held every Monday from 10:00 - 11:00 am at the Music Hall and is sponsored, in part, by a grant from the Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

Every Wednesday from 11:45 am - 2:00 pm, the Waterfront Memory Café at the Music Hall welcomes anyone with early/moderate Alzheimer's or dementia with their care provider, friend or family for lunch and an afternoon of activities. You do not have to be a Marion resident to participate. Call 508-748-3570 for more information.

Workshop on Early Speech and Language Development

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Catherine F. "Kay" (Hardiman) Lowney, 94, of Mattapoisett died December 20, 2016 at Sippican Health Care Center after a long illness.

She was the wife of the late John T. Lowney.

Born in Cambridge, MA, the daughter of the late Thomas and Lillian (Newcomb) Hardiman, she was raised in Dorchester and lived in Marion for many years before moving to Mattapoisett 12 years ago.

She was formerly employed as office manager at the Marion Town Hall until her retirement. She previously was employed by New England Telephone where she met the love of her life.

Kay enjoyed spending time with her family, grandchildren and many friends she met along the way.

Her family would like to thank the staff at Sippican Health Care Center for the compassionate care that Kay received from them.

Survivors include 2 sons, Mark P. Lowney and his wife Cheryl of Mattapoisett and Dr. John T. Lowney, Jr. of Croton-on-Hudson, NY; 3 daughters, Katherine McMahon Daniels and her husband Peter of Norton, MA, Susan E. Cain and her husband Vaughn Neville of Hornby Island, BC and Deborah Suzan and her husband F. Mitchell Suzan, Jr. of Mattapoisett; 7 grandchildren, Charo Neville, Erika Suzan Osetkowski, Carly Suzan DuBeau, F. Mitchell Suzan, III, Lauren Massalas, M. Phillip Lowney, Jr. and Jasmine Cross Lowney; and 4 great-grandchildren.

She was the great-grandmother of the late Connor John Osetkowski.

Funeral from the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6), Mattapoisett, Thursday January 5, 2017 at 9 AM. Funeral Mass at St. Rita's Church, Marion at 10 AM. Burial will follow in Evergreen Cemetery. Visiting hours Wednesday January 4, 2017 from 5-8 PM. For directions and guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Charles F. Lanagan, Jr., 69, of Marion died December 21, 2016 unexpectedly at home.

He was the husband of Barbara (Frenandes) Lanagan.

Born in New Bedford, the son of the late Charles F. and Mary Alice (Ostiguy) Lanagan, he lived in Mattapoisett and Marion most of his life.

Mr. Lanagan was formerly employed by Schaefer Marine Inc. for many years until retirement. He was a member of Teamsters Union Local #59.

Mr. Lanagan was a member of the YMCA for over 50 years. He enjoyed playing basketball in his youth, reading and riding his motorcycle.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Jason P. Lanagan and his wife Isabelle of New Bedford; a sister, Judith Darwell of New Bedford; a granddaughter, Alice Lanagan; 3 nieces and several cousins.

Funeral from the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6) Mattapoisett Tuesday at 9 AM. Funeral Mass at St. Anthony's Church at 10 AM. Burial will follow in St. Anthony's Cemetery. Visiting hours Monday from 3-7 PM. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Boys and Girls Club of New Bedford, 166 Jenney St., New Bedford, MA 02740. For directions and guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

On December 23rd, **Owen Higgins** was in a terrible car accident half of a mile from the rink where he loved to skate. Tragically, both Owen and his long time friend James Lavin lost their lives after hitting black ice, thankfully with enough force that neither suffered or knew what had happened. Through the extraordinary efforts of the Falmouth Fire Department, Owen's beautiful body was flown to Rhode Island Hospital where his family had time to say goodbye. and Owen gave the ultimate Christmas gift of life and sight to four people he will never meet.

Mercifully predeceased by his mother Shannon Rouvalis, his uncles Michael and Sean Rudolph, Thomas O'Reilly, aunt Katy Berry, his cousin Allie Royer, and his grandfather Joseph C. Higgins Jr.

Survived by his parents Michael P. and Maria Higgins of Rochester, his brothers Michael, Daniel, Mitchell, Mark and Robert, and sisters Victoria, Lacey and Crystal. Grandmother Catharine R. Higgins of Marion and grandparents Maureen O'Reilly and George Berube of Falmouth, stand-in Mom Eileen O'Reilly, along with countless members of the Higgins and O'Reilly clans.

Owen was a gifted athlete having just led the Falmouth Clippers to the division 2A football title at Gillette Stadium along side his buddy James. He was proud to wear the captain's patch as he rolled right into hockey, and was anxiously awaiting spring training and his true passion which was baseball. Through the generosity of family, friends, and complete strangers, scholarships are being created in his name. He enjoyed his time with his friends, endless sporting endeavors, family outings and annual Buzzards Bay fishing derbies with his brothers and his Papa. Known for his mischievous and infectious grin and piercing blue eyes, Owen was devastatingly handsome and hearts are breaking all along the shores of Cape Cod.

Owen's time in this world was cut short, but the impact he made will be felt by those that loved him forever. Services were held Thursday 12/29 at Chapman Cole & Gleason

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questions and concerns arise about what's "normal" for their age. The Mattapoisett Library is offering parents, grandparents and child care providers an opportunity to learn more about this important topic on Wednesday, **January 25** from 6:30 to 7:30 pm with professionals from Buzzards Bay Speech Therapy.

Lisa Yauch-Cadden (MS CCC-SLP) and Christine Botelho (BA SLP-A) will review typical developmental milestones for children ages 0-5 years and will provide tips and techniques to promote health speech and language development for children of any age. Everyone is welcome to this free program.

Early language development begins from day one of a child's infancy. The enjoyable aspects of these early moments of communication are integral to so many aspects of child development.

Attendees are encouraged to bring questions and concerns to the program. Free child care is available at the library. Please register to attend by January 24 and indicate if child care is needed.

The library is located at 7 Barstow Street and is handicapped accessible.

Mattapoisett Kindergarten Orientation Meeting

A Parent Orientation Meeting for the parents of all children eligible to enter Kindergarten has been

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Funeral Home on Main St. in Falmouth, and a celebration of his life was held on Friday 12/30 at Saint Anthony's Church followed.

Ken Watjen passed away at the Bellingham at Orchard, Bellingham, WA on December 26, 2016, bringing his journey with Alzheimer's to a close. His loving family was there for support along with his dedicated caregivers. He was a loving husband to his wife Susan, beloved father to his daughters, Laurel and Meg Watjen, and "Grampy Ken" to his granddaughter Izzy.

Born in New Milford, New Jersey in 1937 to Henry and Ada Watjen, Ken was the second of three children. His parents, brother John, and sister Joan preceded him in death. Ken's lifelong interest in mechanical things was fostered by his neighbor, Mr. Haynes, an inventor and the owner of an industrial power equipment rental business. Ken worked for his mentor as a teen and later ran the business for Mr. Haynes.

Ken attended the University of Rochester through the Naval ROTC program. A member of DKE, he graduated with a degree in mechanical engineering in 1959. He served as Lieutenant JG in the US Navy, spending time in San Diego and Japan.

Ken met his future wife Sue on a New Hampshire ski slope, when she accidentally slid into his ski lesson and his life. The couple married in 1965 and settled in New Jersey, where their children were born. Ken and Sue were married for 52 years.

In 1971 the Watjen family moved to Sue's home town of Mattapoisett, MA and purchased Georgie's Power Equipment in North Dartmouth, MA. Ken and Sue ran Georgie's Radiator and Georgie's Power Equipment together, with help from their daughters, for over 30 years. Customers could purchase or rent small power equipment such as chainsaws, brush cutters, snow throwers, generators and lawnmowers from Georgie's as well as purchase parts and have their equipment repaired by the dedicated crew of mechanics.

Ken strongly believed in serving his community. For over 40 years he was an active member of Lions Club, first in Mattapoisett, MA and later in Ferndale, WA. He was president of the Multi-state Equipment Dealers Association, served on the Mattapoisett Planning Board and The Mattapoisett Historical Society, and devoted countless hours to the Friends of the Mattapoisett Bike Path. Ken was active in the Mattapoisett Congregational Church, helping out with the annual auction, Christmas Bazaar, and many other events.

Over the years, Ken enjoyed vegetable gardening, working on his home and yard, camping with his family, and traveling internationally with Sue. The family spent many hours enjoying the water at Sue's parents' camp on Snow's Pond in Rochester, MA. Ken enjoyed sailing and canoeing with his girls, and took them out fishing and quahogging in Mattapoisett harbor. He shared his love of mechanical things with his daughter, Laurel, teaching her to fix chainsaws and work on her own car. He never once told his daughters they couldn't do something because they were female.

In 2009, Ken and Sue moved to Ferndale, WA in order to be closer to their granddaughter Izzy. In Ferndale, Ken volunteered at the Lion's Club wheelchair warehouse, repairing wheelchairs to be loaned out. In his retirement, Ken especially enjoyed being with his family, quahogging, and geocaching with friends.

Ken was a thoughtful, quiet person with clear blue eyes and a subtle "dad" sense of humor. He often inserted puns into conversation, and enjoyed trying to make his girls smile. One of his special talents was wiggling his ears. He loved animals and rescued several over his lifetime, including his dog Popeye (who accompanied him to Georgie's on a daily basis), several kitty cats, bunnies, and a duck.

A memorial service will be held at 5:30pm, on Thursday, January 5, 2017 at The First Congregational Church of Bellingham, 2401 Cornwall Ave., Bellingham, WA, and a burial service will be held in Summer, 2017 in Mattapoisett, MA. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Alzheimer's Society of Washington, 1301 Fraser St, Suite A-1, Bellingham, WA 98229, in Ken's name. www.alzsociety.org/

Olga R. (Miga) Martin, 89 years old died at her home on Wednesday morning, December 28, 2016 surronded by her loving family. She was the wife of the late Frederick Martin, Jr. (ret Patrolman/Juvenile Detective, Taunton Police Department). Olga was born in Taunton and daughter of the late Walter and Regina (Klos) Miga of Poland. She was a communicant of the former Immaculate Conception Church and a graduate of Taunton Schools. Olga was a retired kindergarten teacher's Aid for the City of Taunton primarily at the Leddy School. Olga was a master craftsman, seamstrees, and milliner. Over the years Olga continued her interest in arts and crafts by taking extended courses with the Bristol Agricultural High School. Olga was accomplished in Japanese Needlepoint bunka, Knitting, baking and elaborate cake decorating. She loved spending time at Crescent Beach in Mattapoisett. She has visited Crescent Beach for over 68 years and has owned a home there for over 57 years. Olga was well traveled throughout the United States. Olga is the mother of Cynthia Martin of Mattapoisett, Susan Grigg and her husband Bill of Taunton, Frederick Martin, III (ret TFD) and his wife Karen and Peter Martin and his wife Ann of Mattapoisett. Olga is the grandmother of Frederick IV; Shawn, Caleb and Abby Martin and the great grandmother of Bruce, Kaia, Trent and Troy. She

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scheduled on Tuesday, **January 24** at 6:30 pm in the Cafeteria of Center School. All parents of children eligible to attend Kindergarten are asked to attend this special informational meeting. Any child born before September 1, 2012 is eligible for enrollment in Kindergarten for the 2017-2018 school year. At this meeting, our Kindergarten teachers will be present and we will highlight our Kindergarten program and curriculum, discuss our Kindergarten Orientation Program on the first day of school, provide you with an opportunity to visit a kindergarten classroom and share other information regarding your child's transition to Center School. In addition, school Registration Packets will be available for you to take home to complete. Mattapoisett offers a free full-day Kindergarten program. Any questions you may have will be addressed at this meeting.

Kindergarten registration dates are Tuesday, January 31 from 3:00 - 5:30 pm or on Wednesday, February 1 from 9:00 - 11:00 am in the Cafeteria at Center School. In order to have the registration process proceed in a timely manner, we are asking parents to bring completed registration packets with them when they attend registration.

If you have a child who was born before August 31, 2012 and is eligible to enter Kindergarten, but will not be entering Kindergarten and/or will be attending a private Kindergarten, please call the office at Center School (508-758-2521) to notify us of your decision not to enter your child in Center School for the 2017-2018 school year. This will enable us to keep an accurate count of the number of students who will be entering Center School. If you know of a child who is eligible to enter Kindergarten and they did not receive this information about our orientation/registration in the mail, please have them contact Center School so that a registration packet can be forwarded to them.

We look forward to seeing you on January 24 and welcoming you to the Center School community!

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was the sister of the late Josephine Gscheidle of New York and Joseph Miga of Taunotn. Olga is survived by an extensive extended Martin Family as well as her niece and nephew Joan and Paul Gscheidle. Relatives and friends are invited to attend visiting hours in the Crapo-Hathaway Funeral Home, 350 Somerset Ave, (Route 138 South) Taunton on Monday Jan. 2, 2017 from 4-7PM. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in Holy Rosary Church, Bay Street, Taunton on Tuesday Jan. 3, 2017 at 10 AM. Interment St Joseph Cemetery. To light a candle, get directions or to access the memorial register go to www.hathawayfuneralss.com

Delia M. "Ma Caton" (Amaral) Caton, 87, of Mattapoisett, passed away Friday, December 23, 2016, at St. Luke's Hospital, in New Bedford, after a brief illness. She was the wife of the late Manuel Caton, Jr.

Born in New Bedford, daughter of the late Ernest and Georgianna (Sylvia) Amaral, she lived most of her life in Mattapoisett. Delia had worked for 15 years at Wendy's, in Fairhaven, until her retirement. Prior to that she had worked for Coastline Elderly Services and at Dunkin Donuts. She enjoyed knitting and crocheting.

She is survived by a daughter, Sylvia A. Rowell and her husband Donald, Jr. of New Bedford; seven sons, Ernest Caton and his wife Patricia of Mattapoisett, Michael, Steven, Manuel, Jeffrey and Joseph Caton and his wife Lynda all of Mattapoisett and William Caton of Fairhaven; a brother, Ernest Amaral, Jr. of New Bedford; two sisters, Margaret Barboza of New Bedford and Diana Nunes of Acushnet; 10 grandchildren; 12 great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held Wednesday, December 28, 2016 in River-Side Cemetery, Fairhaven.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the family to help fund funeral expenses.

Kenneth E. Kawa, 70, of Mattapoisett died Sunday December 25, 2016 unexpectedly at St. Luke's Hospital. He was the husband of Carol A. (Mazzola) Kawa. Born in New Bedford, the son of the late Chester and Doris (Souza) Kawa, he lived in Mattapoisett for many years.

Mr. Kawa was formerly employed as a salesperson at Robertson's GMC in Wareham.

An avid fisherman, he loved antique cars and going to Foxwoods. He was a member of the Reservation Golf Course.

Survivors include his wife; his son, Kenneth E. Kawa, Jr.; his stepchildren, Laurie Sullivan and Lisa Rutledge; his brother, Chester Kawa, Jr.; his granddaughter, Justine Kawa; his step-grandson, Stephen Jon Ruhr, Jr.; several other step-grandchildren; and several aunts and cousins.

He was the stepfather of the late Stephen Jon Ruhr.

His Memorial Mass was celebrated on Friday December 30, 2016 in St. Anthony's Church, Mattapoisett. Visiting hours were omitted. Arrangements were by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd., Route 6, Mattapoisett. For online condolence book, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Frank Cabral, Jr., "Frank the Barber", age 70, of Rochester, MA, passed away December 16, 2016 after a long battle with cancer, surrounded by loved ones. Frank was the son of the late Frank and Margaret Cabral, Sr.. Survivors include his daughter, Sara Ann Lima and her husband, Antonio S. Lima, Jr. and his granddaughter, Zariah Cosette Lima, all of Wareham, MA.

Frank served in the Navy during the Viet Nam era on the USS Boxer, and is well known for his motto "If you like your freedom, thank a vet".

Frank followed his father's legacy and was the owner/operator of "Love-Lea-Acres Frank's Barber Shop", the first barber shop in Rochester, MA established in 1960, and he enjoyed all of his many customers.

Frank enjoyed motorcycles, hot rods, and was a gun enthusiast. He enjoyed hanging out in the garage with friends and loved to pass time by watching cars drive by the farm and wave.

On Frank's behalf, the Cabral family would like to recognize and thank all of Frank's caretakers, especially his best friend, Chet Smigel, and his cousin, Lisa DeBrito (Costa).

A celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

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Mattapoisett COA Happenings

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Mondays: 8:45 am - Tai Chi (free); 10:00 am - Qi Gong meditative healing (free); 10:00 am - Knitting; 12:00 pm - Strength & Balance (free); 1:00 pm - Scrabble; Foot Care - once a month by appointment.

Tuesdays: 8:45 am - Sport Yoga ($3); 10:00 am - Dance Fit ($4); 10:00 am - Legal Consulting (2nd Tues. of month, free 15 min, by app't); 11:00 am - Walking Group; 12:00 pm - Movie & Pizza (last Tues. of month); 12:30 pm - Art History (once every other month, free); 1:00 pm - Water Color Painting (free); 4:00 pm - CHESS (free).

Wednesdays: 9:30 am - Dance Fit (free); 10:00 am - Men's Group (2nd Wed. of month at Public Library); 10:45 am - Meditation; 11:00 am - Book Club (3rd Wed. of month); 12:00 pm - Strength & Balance (free); 1:00 pm - Bingo; 1:15 pm - Mah Jongg.

Thursdays: Various Trips (call for details); 1:00 pm - Country Line Dance.

Fridays: 8:45 am - Sport Yoga ($3); 9:00 am - Computer Tutor (free, by appointment); 10:00 am - Rx Qi Gong ($6.50); 11:15 am - Chair Yoga ($3); 1:00 pm - Line Dancing (donation).

Upcoming Specials (registration required unless otherwise noted): Jan. 5 - Caldera's Restaurant; Jan. 9 - Dental Cleanings at COA (by appt.); Jan. 10 at 12:30 pm - Art History "CityScapes"; Jan. 18 at 11:00 am - Book Club, *City of Thieves*; Jan. 19 - East Bay Grille; Jan. 21 Friends of COA Annual Meeting at Public Library with Guest Speaker, Jennifer McIntyre of the Historical Society (drop in); Jan. 26 - Airport Grille; Jan. 31 Movie & Pizza, *Sully*.

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11:00 AM The Collective Chat - Episode 6 Interview 2
11:30 AM SouthCoast Matters
12:00 PM Movie
1:30 PM Navigating the Way for Seniors
2:00 PM Senior Scene
2:30 PM 30 Medical Minutes
3:00 PM Just Coolin'
4:00 PM The Registers Report - 74
4:30 PM Tri-Town Christmas 2016
5:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - After School Program - Cranberries
6:30 PM Upper Cape Tech Presents Careers
7:00 PM White House Chronicle
7:30 PM Voice of SouthCoast Women
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9:00 AM Senior Scene
9:30 AM Physician Focus - November 2016
10:00 AM 30 Medical Minutes
10:30 AM Take it to Auction
11:00 AM Going Deeper
11:30 AM B Green Project
12:00 PM Movie
2:00 PM Legal Ease - Trusts
2:30 PM Language of Business
3:00 PM The Fox Robbins Business Show
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
5:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
5:30 PM GarageX
6:00 PM Recipes Unwrapped - Pizza
6:30 PM What's Linda Cooking? - Chicken, mushroom and rice bake
7:00 PM The Collective Chat
7:30 PM The Steve Katsos Show
8:00 PM Yankee Whaling with James Russell
9:00 PM Reeling- The Movie Review Show
9:30 PM Wicked Housewives on Cape Cod
10:00 PM Painting Journeys
11:00 PM Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers

Saturday January 7, 2016
6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoons
8:30 AM The Childrens Corner
9:00 AM Sci-Fi Journal - January 2016
10:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment
10:30 AM The Collective Chat - Episode 6 Interview 2
11:00 AM SouthCoast Matters
11:30 AM Expedition New England
12:00 PM Mattapoisett PrepareAthon 2016
1:00 PM Tri-Town Holiday Recipes - Presented by ORCTV
2:32 PM Tri-Town Christmas 2016
3:30 PM The Yoga Mat - Episode 2
4:00 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show
4:30 PM The Folklorist
5:00 PM Link TV World Music Block
5:30 PM Link TV - World Music Block
6:00 PM What's Linda Cooking - Calzones
6:30 PM J9 on 9 - Episode #1 - Karma Salon
7:00 PM The Steve Katsos Show
7:30 PM Investigators Of The Unknown
8:30 PM Garage X
9:00 PM Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shockers - A Bucket of Blood
11:00 PM Europe In Concert

Sunday January 8, 2016
6:00 AM Second Coming Church
7:00 AM New Testament Church of Cedarville
8:00 AM Music and the Spoken Word - New Years 2016
8:30 AM Community Baptist Church
9:00 AM Life Matters
9:30 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester
11:00 AM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
11:30 AM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
12:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe
12:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
1:00 PM Your Federal Government
2:00 PM The Commonwealth Report
2:30 PM First Congregational Church of Rochester
4:00 PM Senior Scene - EOPSS
4:30 PM Navigating the Way for Seniors
5:00 PM SouthCoast Matters
5:30 PM Physician Focus
6:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History
7:00 PM Mobile Ministries
7:25 PM Tri-Town Christmas 2016
8:30 PM Tick-borne Disease in Marion - Presented by Senior Nursing Students at UMass Dartmouth
9:00 PM New Testament Church of Cedarville
10:00 PM The Registers Report
10:30 PM Money Matters TV
11:00 PM Life Matters
11:30 PM Music and the Spoken Word

Monday January 9, 2016
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Senior Scene
8:00 AM SouthCoast Matters
8:30 AM Childrens Corner
9:00 AM Take it to Auction
9:30 AM Language of Business
10:00 AM Living Healthy With The Women In You
10:30 AM Navigating the Way for Seniors
11:00 AM What's Linda Cooking - Calzones
11:30 AM Melissa's Menu
12:00 PM Movie
1:30 PM Garage X
2:00 PM The Song
2:30 PM Just Coolin'
3:30 PM Wicked Housewives on Cape Cod
4:00 PM Off The Shelf
4:30 PM 30 Medical Minutes
5:00 PM Living Healthy With The Women In You
5:30 PM Recipes Unwrapped - Episode 2 - Sliders and Salad
6:00 PM What's Linda Cooking - Calzones
6:30 PM Navigating the Way for Seniors
7:00 PM The Fox Robbins Business Show
7:30 PM Legal Ease
8:00 PM Upper Cape Tech Presents Careers - Tiling
8:30 PM The Yoga Mat - Episode 2
9:00 PM Tri-Town Christmas 2016
10:00 PM Yankee Whaling with James Rusell
11:00 PM The Steve Katsos Show
11:30 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show

Tuesday January 10, 2016
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Physician Focus - January 2017
8:00 AM Language of Business
8:30 AM The Registers Report - 74
9:00 AM What's Linda Cooking - Calzones
9:30 AM Recipes Unwrapped - Episode 2 - Sliders and Salad
10:00 AM The Collective Chat - Episode 6 Interview 2
10:30 AM The Yoga Mat - Episode 2
11:00 AM Painting Journeys #20
12:00 PM Movie
2:00 PM Your Federal Government
3:00 PM SouthCoast Matters
3:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History
4:30 PM Senior Scene
5:00 PM Physician Focus - January 2017
5:30 PM Eat Well Be Happy
6:00 PM Language of Business
6:30 PM The Registers Report - 74
7:00 PM Money Matters TV
7:30 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show
8:00 PM The Folklorist
8:30 PM Sidewalks Entertainment
9:00 PM Sci-Fi Journal - December 2016
10:00 PM Investigators Of The Unknown
11:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx
11:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx

Wednesday January 11, 2016
7:00 AM Seniorcize
7:30 AM Tick-borne Disease in Marion - Presented by Senior Nursing Students at UMass Dartmouth
8:00 AM The Chico and Bman Show
8:30 AM Childrens Corner
9:00 AM Storytime at Carver Memorial Library
9:30 AM The Folklorist
10:00 AM Sippican Historical Society Oral History
11:00 AM Garage X
12:00 PM Movie
1:30 PM Perils for Pedestrians
2:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today
2:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000
3:00 PM Sci-Fi Journal - December 2016
4:00 PM Tri-Town Holiday Recipes - Presented by ORCTV
6:00 PM Legal Ease
6:30 PM Upper Cape Tech Presents Careers
7:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History
8:00 PM Mobile Ministries
8:30 PM Painting Journeys #20
9:30 PM Tri-Town Christmas 2016
10:30 PM Life Matters
11:00 PM From the Other Side - Insurance
11:30 PM Reeling - The Movie Review Show

MARION GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 39
Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion School Committee - December 21, 2016
8:30 AM Marion Conservation Commission - December 14, 2016
11:30 AM Marion Planning Board - December 19, 2016
2:00 PM Marion Board of Selectmen - December 20, 2016
5:30 PM Marion Board of Selectmen - December 20, 2016
8:30 PM Marion Planning Board - December 19, 2016
10:50 PM Marion Conservation Commission - December 14, 2016

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 40
Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Rochester School Committee - November 17, 2016
9:00 AM 911 Regionalization Forum - December 13, 2016
10:30 AM Rochester ZBA - December 8, 2016
10:37 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - December 8, 2016
11:30 AM Rochester Planning Board - December 13, 2016
1:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen - December 12, 2016
2:30 PM Rochester ZBA - December 8, 2016
2:37 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals - December 8, 2016
3:30 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - December 20, 2016
5:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen - December 12, 2016
6:25 PM 911 Regionalization Forum - December 13, 2016
7:40 PM Rochester Planning Board - December 13, 2016
9:30 PM Rochester Conservation Commission - December 20, 2016

EDUCATION CHANNEL
Comcast Channel 97
Verizon Channel 37
Daily Schedule

7:00 AM ORR Joint School Committee Meeting - November 30, 2016
9:05 AM 2016 ORRHS TV Production Dramatic Videos
9:30 AM Upper Cape Tech Presents Careers - Auto Damage Appraisal
10:00 AM Center School Presents - A Bugz Christmas
10:30 AM Tick-borne Disease in Marion - Presented by Senior Nursing Students at UMass Dartmouth
10:45 AM 2016 SMEC Holiday Show
11:00 AM 2016 ORRHS Bulldog TV Holiday Program
11:30 AM ORRHS Bulldog TV Fall 2016
12:30 PM Rochester Memorial Holiday Concert 2016
1:30 PM Center School Presents - A Bugz Christmas
2:00 PM Center School Holiday Reading 2016
2:30 PM 2016 ORRHS TV Production Dramatic Videos
3:00 PM 2016 ORRHS Bulldog TV Holiday Program
3:30 PM ORRHS TV Production - How To Videos 2016
4:00 PM Rochester Memorial Holiday Concert 2016
5:00 PM Center School Presents - A Bugz Christmas
5:30 PM 2016 SMEC Holiday Show
5:45 PM Tick-borne Disease in Marion - Presented by Senior Nursing Students at UMass Dartmouth
6:00 PM Upper Cape Tech Presents Careers
6:30 PM 2016 ORRHS TV Production Dramatic Videos
7:00 PM Center School Presents - A Bugz Christmas
7:30 PM Rochester Memorial Holiday Concert 2016
8:25 PM 2016 ORRHS Bulldog TV Holiday Program
8:50 PM 2016 SMEC Holiday Show
9:05 PM ORR Joint School Committee Meeting - November 30, 2016

MATTAPOISETT GOVERNMENT
Comcast Channel 95
Verizon Channel 38

SHERMAN'S LAGOON
by J.P. Toomey

the project.

Voters and interested parties, whether they favor a new Town Hall on the VFW site or want to save at least a portion of the historic Town House, should attend to hear the facts and offer their opinions.

Tabor Continues Science@Work Lecture Series

On **January 12** at 6:30 pm, Michael Retelle, Professor of Geology at Bates College (ME), will share information about Paleo-Climatology through his study of ice cores from the Arctic. Retelle did his undergraduate studies at Salem State College (BS, 1976) prior to working as a field geologist on the Trans-Alaska Pipeline in 1976. He did his graduate work in Geosciences at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst. His primary research interests include glacial and marine environments and climate change in northern New England and in the Canadian and Norwegian arctic.

His talk will focus on the recent environmental history in Svalbard, Norway, with an emphasis on the alpine glacier history from the ice expansion during the Little Ice Age of the 14th to 19th Centuries to the retreat that began in the beginning of the 20th Century that has accelerated in recent decades. Svalbard is an extensively glaciated archipelago in the Norwegian high arctic that sits at the boundary of polar and North Atlantic waters, climatologically sensitive to shifts in ocean currents and related air masses, impacting regional sea ice and glacier extent.

This lecture is free and open to the public and will be held in Lyndon South Auditorium, Stroud Academic Center, 232 Front Street, Marion on January 12 at 6:30 pm.

Taking the Plunge for Special Olympics

The Polar Plunge for Special Olympics MA, organized and hosted by Tabor students, will be on Sunday, **January 22** from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at Silvershell Beach in Marion. This is one of the major fundraisers for Special Olympics and one of nine plunges occurring around the state. Tabor students are seeking sponsorships from local businesses to stage a fun party

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Movie Review

Princess

By Rob Gonsalves
www.robsmovievault.com

***Wishful Drinking* (2010). Written by and starring Carrie Fisher. Directed by Fenton Bailey and Randy Barbato. Running time: 75 minutes. Rated TV-MA for language.**

One of the better jokes in *Wishful Drinking,* HBO's filmed version of Carrie Fisher's one-woman show, will inspire sad cringing more than laughter these days. I won't give it away. But if anyone existed in the zone between laughter and sad cringing, it was Carrie Fisher, who at one point during the show touted herself as "runner-up for bipolar woman of the year." Fisher, of course, will forever be known for the piece of real estate she held down in the vast suburb that is *Star Wars*. But her true sardonic self came out in her writing and then in her performance of her writing. *Wishful Drinking*, which HBO re-ran on January 1 in the wake of Fisher's death, offers probably the purest essence of Fisher in the visual medium (you can look to her novels and memoirs for more).

Fisher's subject is how bizarrely magical and magically bizarre it is to be "celebrity royalty" — the daughter of Debbie Reynolds and Eddie Fisher, both of whose later married lives were so thick and confusing a large family-tree diagram is necessary to keep it all straight. The format is mainly anecdotal; wandering around a stage set that resembles a retiree's cluttered but homey living room, Fisher keeps the show on the level of decent stand-up. She doesn't go for any pathos — she's too acerbic for that, and whenever she approaches a cliché, she backs away from it quickly with a jet-blast of snark. She doesn't want to make the material more meaningful, or enlarge it to fit a theme; she just presents her life as comedy. I imagine the movie gives us what it might have been like to sit in Fisher's parlor listening to her hold forth.

Fisher visits the old suburb briefly, counting the ways *Star Wars* has immortalized her (as a Pez dispenser, as a shampoo bottle, as a photo in a book ironically titled — no kidding — *New Hope for People with Bipolar Disorder)*. "George Lucas ruined my life," she says, adding "and I mean that in the nicest possible way." I've seen Fisher's Princess Leia described as the most famous female character in history; I balked at that until considering that *Star Wars* is quite likely the most famous film in history and that there are very few other women in *Star Wars.* That donut-headed hairstyle is iconic, immediately recognizable, and mortifying to a 19-year-old.

So what happens to the human woman who played the icon and is forever linked to it? Especially a woman whose sanity had already been imperiled by being the daughter of stars? It's a wonder Fisher never climbed a tower with a rifle, but women of Fisher's generation didn't do that; they self-medicated, self-deprecated, self-destructed. Somewhere in the show, Fisher proselytizes for electroshock therapy, which she later expanded on in her second memoir, *Shockaholic.* Fisher felt it helped with her depression, but there's a chance it might have done some damage to her heart — along with the other punishment she dealt it over the years.

There's a certain degree of heartlessness — not soullessness, but an ability to distance oneself — required to make witty one-liners out of the chaos of one's life. (Fisher was a modern master of the epigram, the baby-boomer Dorothy Parker.) Some detachment is needed in order to shape the material so that it can reach others, rather than being incoherent diary entries. (Sadly, Fisher's last book, *The Princess Diarist,* was sometimes that.) What brought Fisher's later fans closer to her, though, was her vulnerability. What you hear in the audience in *Wishful Thinking* is laughter given gratefully and also generously. Fisher wasn't angling for pity. She wanted to hear laughs. So much of her writing earns laughs, but they sound hollow now that she's not here to hear them.

for the plungers and are raising money so that they themselves can plunge into the icy waters! Their goal is $5,000 for Special Olympics.

The public is invited to plunge in, too. Donors can sign up to plunge, sponsor others, or just support the effort. There is a $50 minimum fundraising commitment to plunge, and they even offer a pinky plunge if you don't really want to get wet. The plunge is set for 11:15 am; costumes are encouraged!

To learn more about the event, sponsor someone or sign up to plunge, please visit http://taborplunge.kintera.org/faf/home/default.asp?ievent=1166602.

Tabor welcomes the public to join with them in a fun project for a worthy cause. Special Olympics of Massachusetts estimates that their programs serve nearly 12,000 athletes across the state, helping intellectually impaired individuals lead longer, happier, and healthier lives through sports. Tabor Academy is proud to be a partner in their efforts.

Please note: The school hosts a weekend Young Special Olympics Athletes Program on most Sundays for 3-year olds and up. Please check their website calendar at www.taboracademy.org for dates.

Marion Art Center 2017 Winter Members Show

The Marion Art Center will kick off its 2017 Gallery Season with the Annual Winter Members Show,

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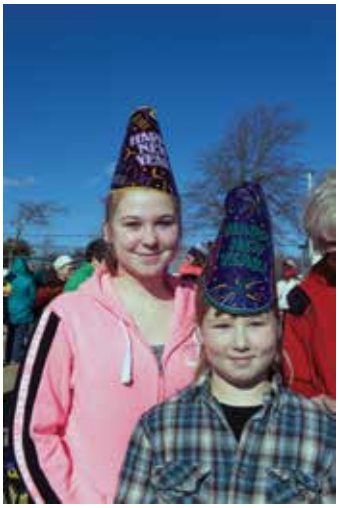
TriTown Happenings



It takes a certain type of person to jump into the cold ocean on New Year's morning. Behold, the locals who fit that description as they enjoy a frosty January 1st at Mattapoisett Town Beach for the annual Freezin' for a Reason Polar Plunge! Hundreds lined the beach to take the plunge, with bundled spectators watching from the sidelines and cheering as the plungers charged ahead screaming and shrieking with exhilaration. Proceeds from the plunge benefit locals battling cancer. Photos by Colin Veitch

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

which will run from Friday, January 13 through Thursday, February 9. All members in good standing of the Marion Art Center are invited to submit three pieces to be included in the non-juried exhibition. All pieces must be appropriately matted, framed and ready to hang (with hanging wire on the back affixed securely to the frame with eye hooks; no sawtooth hangers will be accepted), and must not have been shown at MAC previously. Drop-off for member artwork will take place on Tuesday, January 10, from 1:00 to 5:00 pm.

A reception will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 pm on Friday, **January 13** for participating artists and their guests. The body of work in the exhibition is expected to represent more than 40 artists, and to include watercolors, oils, acrylics and pastel paintings, as well as photographs and collage. The Marion Art Center is a not-for-profit organization located at 80 Pleasant Street, Marion, MA 02738. The gallery opening is free and open to the public. For more information, call 508-748-1266 or email marionartcenter@verizon.net.

Mattapoisett Library News

LEGOs Abound: Each Saturday at 1:00 pm, the LEGO table and thousands of LEGOs are available for play and design. Stop in and meet the weekly challenge! Photos will be taken of everyone's creation. For youth of all ages.

Enjoying a Quiet Holiday? **Books for Everyone!** Dozens of new fiction, non-fiction, and audiobooks are available in the reading room. Stop by and browse the many well-reviewed titles that represent all genres. Ask the library staff for a reading suggestion or log onto the library's website, www.mattapoisettlibrary.org, and use Novelist to search for your next great read. The library staff is happy to demonstrate this great reader's advisory tool.

New Scrapbooking Group to Meet Monthly: Bring your photos, papers, tools, and ideas to a new group Scrapbook Crop! The group will meet the first Friday of every month beginning on January 6 at 10:30 am in the library meeting room. Ideas for designs will be shared over coffee and tea. All skill levels are welcome.

Film and Book Discussion Series Continues: Join other film enthusiasts for a screening of *The English Patient* on Sunday, **January 15** at 1:30 pm. The group will be discussing the film and the book, with suggested questions and free refreshments. Sign up to attend and pick up the discussion questions by emailing spizzolo@sailsinc.org or by calling the library.

Tech Help: Get a new tablet, smart phone or e-reader as a gift? Work with librarian Elizabeth Sherry to learn how to use it efficiently. Download free books from the library to enjoy any time, any place. For an appointment, call 508-758-4171.

MAC Art and Theater Classes

The Marion Art Center is now accepting registrations for the following children's art and theater classes for Winter 2017:

Little People's Theater (ages 5-8): Tuesdays from 4:30 to 5:30 pm; January 10 - February 14 (6 weeks); Instructor: Linda Landry. Tuition is $80 for MAC members* and $95 for non-members. Minimum of 5 students required for this class to run. Registration deadline for Winter Session is January 5. *Current membership required for discount. The 2016-2017 Membership Year runs August 1, 2016 - July 31, 2017.

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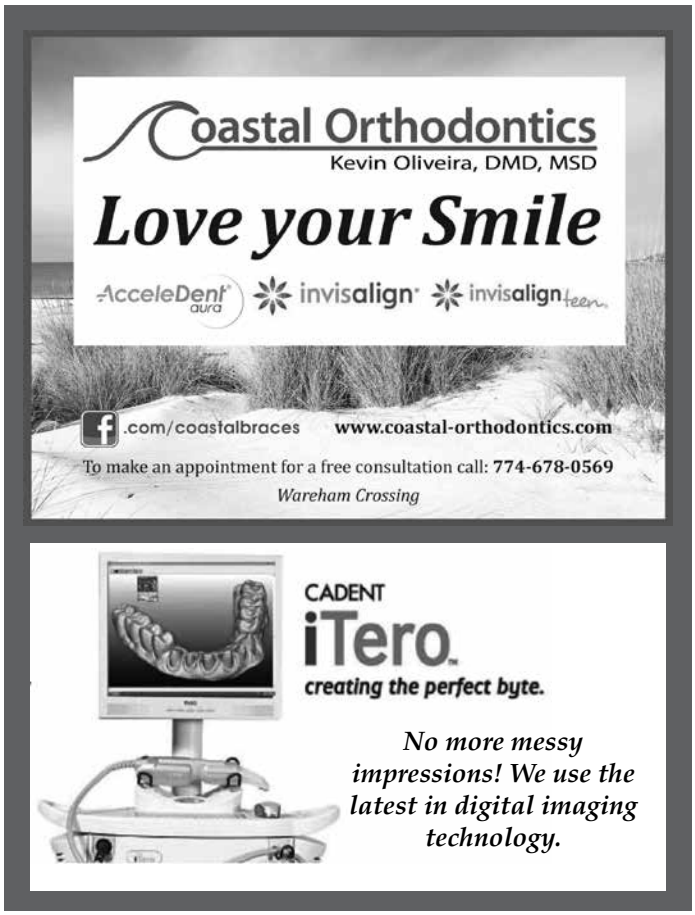

Tri-town Police Logs

MARION

Log highlights Dec 25-Dec 31

- Cove Cir – EMS/medical
- Wareham Rd - Disturbance
- Mill St – Health/welfare
- Village Dr – EMS/medical
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Clark St - Lockout
- Wareham Rd – Paper service
- Route 195 East – MV collision
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Register Rd – EMS/medical
- Nokomis Rd – EMS/medical
- Route 195 East – Fire/vehicle
- Front St – Health/welfare
- Wareham Rd – EMS/medical
- Mill St – Suspicious person
- Converse Rd – Suspicious activity
- Wareham Rd – EMS/medical
- Village Dr – MV complaint
- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Mill St – Follow up investigation
- Village Dr – EMS/medical
- County Rd – MV collision
- Wianno Rd – B&E/past
- Aucoot Ave – B&E/past
- Moorings Rd – B&E/past
- Spinnaker Ln – B&E/past
- River Rd – Health/welfare
- Wianno Rd – Follow up investigation
- Pleasant St – EMS/medical

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights Dec 25–Dec 31

- Church St – 911 abandoned
- Atkinson Way – B&E/MV
- Bay Rd – B&E/MV
- Ridge Ave – B&E/MV
- Highland PC Ave – B&E/MV
- Beacon St – B&E/MV
- Tupola Ln – B&E/MV
- Beach Rd – B&E/MV
- County Rd - Assault
- Angelica Ave – B&E/MV
- Neds Point Rd – B&E/structure
- Acushnet Rd – Medical assist
- Gosnold St – Safe keeping property
- Acushnet Rd – Assist citizen
- County Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Acushnet Rd – Animal control
- North St – MV crash
- Holly Ln – B&E/MV
- Marion Rd – Serve warrant
- North St – MV crash
- North St – Assist other agency
- Kerwin Ave – Transport general
- Fairhaven Rd – MV lockout
- Brandt Island Rd - Domestic disturbance
- Shaw St – Health/welfare
- North St – Ambulance request
- Goodspeed Island – Assist citizen
- County Rd – On-duty injury
- County Rd – Disorderly person

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Dec 25–Dec 31

- Mattapoisett Rd – Ambulance request
- Mattapoisett Rd - Investigation
- North Ave – Ambulance request
- Tilson Rd – 911 abandoned
- High St – Ambulance request
- Pine St – Ambulance request
- Negus Way – Suspicious MV
- Snipatuit Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Walnut Plain Rd - Assist citizen
- Mendell Rd – Serve warrant
- Bumpy Ln – Suspicious activity
- Cranberry Hwy – Erratic behavior
- Mendell Rd – Serve warrant
- Dexter Ln – Assist citizen
- North Ave – Assist citizen
- Braley Hill Rd – MV accident
- North Ave – B&E
- County Rd – MV accident
- North Ave – Suspicious activity
- Dexter Ln – Assist other agency
- North Ave – Officer wanted
- North Ave – Suspicious MV
- County Rd – Ambulance request
- Hathaway Pond Cir – Assist citizen
- Cushman Rd – Officer wanted
- County Rd – Officer wanted
- Walnut Plain Rd - Complaint
- Marys Pond Rd – MV stop/arrest
- North Ave – Noise complaint

For a full PDF of the three town's police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit www.Wanderer.com.

Regional Lunch Menus

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, Jan 9: Pasta bolognese, parmesan cheese, Roman blend, dinner roll, peaches
Tuesday, Jan 10: Italian braised beef, red bliss potatoes, broccoli, whole wheat bread, mini tiramisu, diet: angel food cake
Wednesday, Jan 11: Unsalted saltines, cream of carrot & celery soup, meatloaf w/gravy, garlic mashed potato, oatmeal roll, banana
Thursday, Jan 12: Caribbean chicken, white/brown rice, Tahitian vegetables, multigrain bread, fresh pineapple
Friday, Jan 13: "Catch of the Day", w/pesto cream sauce, potato wedges, California blend, rye bread, pears

CENTER SCHOOL

Monday, Jan 9: Hot dog, baked beans, fun size chips, pickle, fruit, milk
Tuesday, Jan 10: American chop suey w/bread stick, green beans, tossed side salad, fresh fruit, milk
Wednesday, Jan 11: Peaches & cream pancakes, peach cup w/ whipped topping, oven roasted fries, bacon, fruit, milk
Thursday, Jan 12: Tangerine chicken, "fried" rice, brainy broccoli, fortune cookie, fruit, milk
Friday, Jan 13: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing, fresh fruit, milk

OLD HAMMONDTOWN

Monday, Jan 9: Hot dog, baked beans, fun size chips, pickle, fruit, milk
Tuesday, Jan 10: American chop suey w/bread stick, green beans, tossed side salad, fresh fruit, milk
Wednesday, Jan 11: Peaches & cream pancakes, peach cup w/ whipped topping, oven roasted fries, bacon, fruit, milk
Thursday, Jan 12: Tangerine chicken, "fried" rice, brainy broccoli, fortune cookie, fruit, milk
Friday, Jan 13: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing, fresh fruit, milk

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

Monday, Jan 9: Hot dog, baked beans, fun size chips, pickle, fruit, milk
Tuesday, Jan 10: American chop suey w/bread stick, green beans, tossed side salad, fresh fruit, milk
Wednesday, Jan 11: Peaches & cream pancakes, peach cup w/ whipped topping, oven roasted fries, bacon, fruit, milk
Thursday, Jan 12: Tangerine chicken, "fried" rice, brainy broccoli, fortune cookie, fruit, milk
Friday, Jan 13: Early release day

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

Monday, Jan 9: Hot dog, baked beans, fun size chips, pickle, fruit, milk
Tuesday, Jan 10: American chop suey w/bread stick, green beans, tossed side salad, fresh fruit, milk
Wednesday, Jan 11: Peaches & cream pancakes, peach cup w/ whipped topping, oven roasted fries, bacon, fruit, milk
Thursday, Jan 12: Tangerine chicken, "fried" rice, brainy broccoli, fortune cookie, fruit, milk
Friday, Jan 13: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing, fresh fruit, milk

SIPPICAN SCHOOL

Monday, Jan 9: Hot dog, baked beans, fun size chips, pickle, fruit, milk
Tuesday, Jan 10: American chop suey w/bread stick, green beans, tossed side salad, fresh fruit, milk
Wednesday, Jan 11: Peaches & cream pancakes, peach cup w/ whipped topping, oven roasted fries, bacon, fruit, milk
Thursday, Jan 12: Tangerine chicken, "fried" rice, brainy broccoli, fortune cookie, fruit, milk
Friday, Jan 13: Stuffed crust pizza, fresh tossed salad w/dressing, fresh fruit, milk

OLD COLONY REGIONAL

Monday, Jan 9: Sloppy Joe, fries & corn
Tuesday, Jan 10: Chicken broccoli alfredo & garlic bread
Wednesday, Jan 11: Early release
Thursday, Jan 12: Mozzarella sticks, marinara sauce, fries & baked beans
Friday, Jan 13: Buffalo chicken pizza & Caesar salad

production of a small show presented at the end of the session.

Young People's Theater (ages 9-12): Thursdays from 4:30 to 5:30 pm; January 12 - February 16 (6 weeks); Instructor: Linda Landry. Tuition is $80 for MAC members* and $95 for non-members. Minimum of 5 students required for this class to run. Registration deadline for Winter Session is January 7. *Current membership required for discount. The 2016-2017 Membership Year runs August 1, 2016 - July 31, 2017.

Our young actors will develop acting skills while having fun and learning to interact with one another. Through age-appropriate acting games, improv, and small scenes, these young actors will learn theatre basics. They will learn the rules of the theatre, theatre terminology, how to project an emotion, how to start creating a character, and more. Students will learn the process of putting on a production through selection, rehearsal and production of a small show presented at the end of the session.

Fashion Design & Illustration For Tweens (ages 9-12): Thursdays from 3:30 to 5:30 pm; January 19 to March 9 (8 weeks – no class on February 21); Instructor: Catherine Carter. Tuition is $180 for MAC members* and $195 for non-members (supplies not included). Minimum of 5 students required for this class to run. Registration deadline for Winter Session is January 14. *Current membership required for discount. The 2016-2017 Membership Year runs August 1, 2016 - July 31, 2017.

Love fashion and coming up with your own designs? This new MAC offering for youngsters between ages 9 and 12 will cover the basics of fashion illustration, including drawing the fashion figure and rendering fabrics with colored pencil and marker. We will create a series of design projects inspired by a range of sources including fashion history, ethnic costume, and fine art.

For more information about or to register for any of MAC's classes, please call 508-748-1266 or visit: http://www.marionartcenter.org/about/register/.

The Marion Art Center is now accepting registrations for its Winter 2017 Adult Art Classes. Offerings include:

Beginner & Continuing Drawing for Adults: Tuesdays, 10:00 am to noon at the MAC Studio; January 17 to March 7 (8 weeks).

This class will expose students to a number of traditional illustration skills and concepts. Participants will learn how to compose with line, shape, tone, and shadow. Using still-life setups and the immediate environment as inspiration, the class will explore working with perspective, positive and negative shape, and texture using traditional drawing materials.

Instructor Anthony Days has been involved in illustration and visual arts since his childhood, receiving awards and donating his artistic abilities to school and community activities. He has been providing private drawing lessons for over 30 years and is a Member of the Marion Art Center, New Bedford Art Museum and Mattapoisett Area Artists group. Note: A minimum of 5 students is required. Tuition is $180 for MAC members* and $195 for non-members (supplies not included). *Current MAC membership is required for discount. The 2016-2017 Membership Year runs August 1, 2016 - July 31, 2017.

The Art of Reupholstery: Wednesdays, 10:00 am to noon at 188 Front Street in Marion; January 18 to March 22 (10 weeks).

This class will teach students the basics of reupholstery, an applied art that has its roots in the Renaissance period. While learning this art form, students can restore an old chair using techniques and materials that are timeless, and enjoy the heirloom that they create. It is the upholstery and soft furnishings that are the most important in creating the ambience of a room. Students will be taught to strip the old coverings and stuffing as needed, secure the frame of the item so that it is rigid, build up from the base or foundation, add the webbing and springs, tie, sew and weave batting and padding. Materials are not included. Students are strongly advised that their first attempt should be more substantial than a footstool. Please bring the project to every class, together with a tack hammer and an old flat-head screwdriver.

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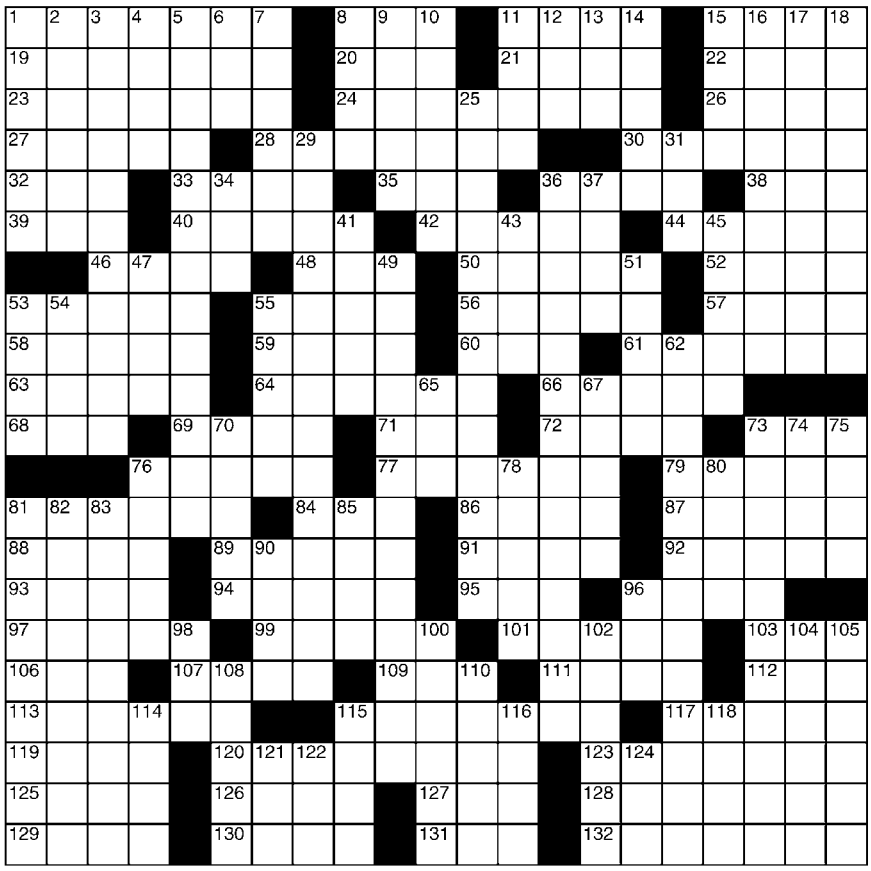
ACROSS
1 Runs in
8 Swiss skyline sight
11 Open a tad
15 Since
19 Pork in a pastry case, perhaps
20 Copa's city
21 McEntire of Nashville
22 Sorvino of "WiseGirls"
23 Rod used by a bartender
24 Meted out
26 Apple line
27 Itchy skin problem
28 Ski resort near L.A.
30 Set fire to
32 Suffix with Mideast
33 Horror-film lab assistant
35 Runner-turned-lord Sebastian
36 Swab brand
38 Hack off
39 Treasury secretary Jack
40 Pops' moms
42 Give credit where credit —
44 Growl like a mad dog
46 Unlucky day for Caesar
48 "Mass — Minor" (Bach work)
50 Dirties
52 Opera piece
53 Did very little
55 Growl like a mad dog
56 "Speed up," in mus.
57 Oceans
58 Puccini title role
59 San José, Costa —
60 Show people to seats, informally
61 Approach boldly
63 Sing softly
64 Straighten, as a twisted hose
66 Prevent, in court
68 — Solo (sci-fi role)
69 Simian "King"
71 Oslo loc.
72 — guilt trip on
73 — -cone (cold treat)
76 Heelless shoes
77 12-step support group
79 Detox center
81 Skier's hut
84 C times III
86 Modest response to praise
87 Skier's locale
88 "Whatever — Wants"
89 Cymbal pair in a drum kit
91 Cruel Roman emperor
92 Broncos great John
93 Tell- — (exposés)
94 Vodka brand, briefly
95 That, to Juanita
96 "A Death in the Family" novelist James
97 Hunts for
99 Decode
101 East — (country of Asia)
103 LP letters
106 "Dear" man
107 Girasol, e.g.
109 Lyricist Gershwin
111 "The Lion King" lioness
112 Female hare
113 Metal bars
115 More hammy
117 Actor Elba
119 Like both-sex colleges
120 Examination
123 Early Greeks
125 Writer Brontë
126 Sultry singer Horne
127 Actor Wallach
128 Recluse
129 Not including
130 Castle trench
131 Notes before mis
132 Placed a burden on

DOWN
1 Lager brand
2 Go to sleep
3 "The Office" actor
4 To be, to Brigitte
5 Often-iced injury
6 Rail holder
7 Message from a pulpit
8 Meccan, e.g.
9 Spring bloom
10 Hoi —
11 Chichi
12 767, e.g.
13 '60s prez
14 Pizza cut edges, e.g.
15 Exiled Idi
16 Much like
17 Many Handel works
18 Fall right onto one's mug
25 Port on the Black Sea
29 Vocational college
31 Driver's rte. displayer
34 Propane, e.g.
36 Pielike cheese-and-bacon dish
37 Prefix with conference
41 Light meal
43 Scrip writers
45 Racial equality org.
47 1920s-'30s art style
49 An EEG records it
51 Bluish gray
53 Craving
54 "Explorer" of kiddie TV
55 Hog's sound
62 Rough in texture
65 Old Cambodian leader Lon —
67 Zenith rival
70 Swearwords
73 Bathroom stall outlet
74 California wine area
75 Do as bid
76 Cruet cousin
78 A-bomb trial
80 Fashion mag since 1945
81 Like Mozart music
82 Golfer's ace
83 Dander and dust, often
85 Dial up
90 "— shame"
96 ISP choice
98 Bar fixture?
100 Pencil topper
102 Actress Hemingway
104 Grosse —, Michigan
105 Bollixed (up)
108 Chapel song
110 Like acrobats
114 Extolling poems
115 Louver strip
116 Osiris' wife
118 Light coin
121 Prefix with 81-Down
122 California's Santa — River
124 "... good witch — bad witch?"



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The New Year brings challenges that can change many things in your life. You need to be prepared not only to confront them, but also to deal with what happens afterward.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You have what it takes to set your goals quite a bit higher this year. Learn what you need to know and put what you learn into your efforts. A partner offers loving support.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) In true Gemini Twin fashion, you're conflicted about a decision you know you'll have to make in this New Year. Best advice: Get the facts before you make any commitment.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A friend offers you an exciting opportunity for the New Year. Although your positive aspects are strong in most respects, caution is advised. Investigate before you invest.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You can make this New Year a roaring success. Start by readjusting your goals to reflect the changes in the economy. Your den-mate offers both wise and loving support.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The New Year brings new opportunities for change. But you need to be ready to move from the comfortable status quo to the challenging unknown. It's up to you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your most important New Year's resolution should be to work out problems with a family member in order to avoid continued misunderstandings. Do it soon, for both of your sakes.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) The New Year has much to offer the intensely determined Scorpian, who isn't afraid to take on challenges and stay with them until they surrender their rewards.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You'll have many fine opportunities in this New Year. But be warned: Reject offers of "help." You work best when you're free to be your own creative self.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The New Year offers changes that you might feel you're not quite ready for. Best advice: Deal with them one step at a time, until you've built up your self-confidence.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Travel is a dominant aspect of the New Year. This could mean relocating to another city (or even another country) in connection with your education or your career.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) This New Year brings news about a change you've been anticipating. You might have a problem persuading a loved one about your new plans, but he or she will soon go along with them.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a gift for making people feel safe and protected. You would make an excellent youth counselor.

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Instructor Harriet Ingerslev graduated in Fine Arts from State University of New York at Oswego. She studied restoration and upholstery at the Stanhope Institute in London, England. Her extensive instructional background includes teaching upholstery in Princeton, NJ for 13 years in two adult schools, as well as teaching fine art for 25 years at high school and elementary school levels. Note: A minimum of 5 students is required. Tuition is $180 for MAC members* and $195 for non-members. *Current MAC membership is required for discount. The 2016-2017 Membership Year runs August 1, 2016 - July 31, 2017.

Abstract Painting for Adults: Wednesdays, 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the MAC Studio; January 18 to March 8 (8 weeks).

This course is designed for those who have always been intrigued by abstract art and want to learn to paint in this free and individual style. Using acrylics, students will discover how to organize the canvas through the basic elements of shape, color, texture and design, rather than realistic subject matter. This process will yield works of art that are uniquely your own expression. Appropriate for both beginning and intermediate students. Participants should bring to the first class whatever supplies they have on hand.

The instructor, Catherine Carter, has taught at Framingham State University and the Danforth Museum School for the past 14 years. An abstract painter herself, she has exhibited her work nationally as well as at the United States Embassies in Oman and Cameroon through the Art In Embassies Program. Her paintings are held in public and corporate collections including the Boston Public Library, the Four Seasons Hotel, and Meditech Information Technology. She has recently relocated to the Southcoast, where she currently maintains her studio at Hatch Street Studios in New Bedford. Note: A minimum of 5 students is required. Tuition for the class is $180 for MAC members* and $195 for non-members (supplies not included). *Current MAC membership is required for discount. The 2016-2017 Membership Year runs August 1, 2016 - July 31, 2017.

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All Levels Watercolor Painting for Adults: Thursdays, 10:00 am to noon; January 19 to March 16 (8 weeks). *Note: No class on February 9.

After a brief introduction each week, students will explore different techniques, while working on the landscape, still life, figurative, and/or imaginative painting, in a nurturing environment. Participants should bring to the first class whatever supplies they have on hand.

Instructor Patricia White is an illustrator, a painter, and a Gallery Instructor Associate at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. She is past President of the Marion Art Center and the current President of the Bourne-

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TOWN OF MARION
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Marion Community Preservation Committee will hold a public hearing on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 6:00 pm in the Police Station conference room, 550 Mill Street, Marion. The purpose of the hearing is to review the 2017 Community Preservation Plan.

Randy Parker, Chairman 12/22, 1/5, 1/12

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Town of Mattapoisett is seeking sealed bids for use of the Town Wharf Parking Area for operating a food concession on the property for the 2017, 2018 and 2019 Spring/Summer Seasons. Interested bidders should pick up a Bid Criteria and Application Form at the Selectmen's Office, Monday-Friday, 8:00-4:00 pm. All bids are due into the Selectmen's Office by January 27, 2017 by 4:00 pm. Questions should be addressed to mgagne@mattapoisett.net

Michael Gagne, Town Administrator 12/22, 1/5

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1102

Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of JAMES LIVSEY for property located at 1044 Walnut Plain Road, identified on Assessor's Map 23, Lot 22, who is seeking a Special Permit under Section VIII.C.2.d. to allow an addition to the existing barn which will exceed the ground floor area of 1,000 square feet. The public hearing will be held on January 12, 2017 at 7:30 pm in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall at 1 Constitution Way.

Richard D. Cutler, Chairman 12/22, 12/29 (online issue), 1/5

TOWN OF MARION
BOARD OF HEALTH
LEGAL NOTICE

The Marion Board of Health will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at 4:45 pm in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House on the variance requests submitted by ZENITH CONSULTING ENGINEERS, LLC pertaining to the property located at 12 West Avenue, further identified as Map 3, Lot 3.

The following variances are requested to Title 5 of the State Environmental Code:

310 CMR 15.221 (7): Local Upgrade Approval

Requests the top of all system components shall be installed no more than 36 inches below finished grade. A depth of greater than 36 inches is requested in accordance with 310 CMR 15.405 (1)(b)

310 CMR 15.102 (2): Local Upgrade Approval Requires two deep holes per disposal area to be completed on site. A reduction from two deep holes to one deep hole is requested in accordance with 310 CMR 15.405 (1)(k)

Elizabeth S. Dunn, Chairman 12/29 (online issue), 1/5

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
POLICE DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC NOTICE

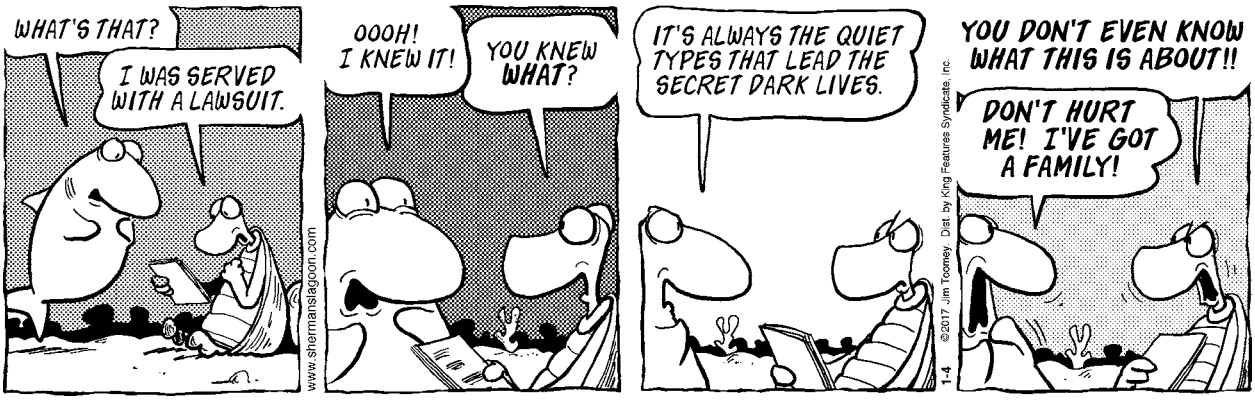
The Town of Rochester Police Department will be conducting Alcohol Compliance Checks throughout the year of all establishments holding liquor licenses.

Paul Magee, Chief of Police 1/5, 1/12

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall on the Request for a Determination of Applicability submitted by THOMAS KANE, P.O. Box 148, Eastham, MA 02642. The proposed project is to upgrade a failed sewage disposal system with a conforming Title 5 system. The work occurs within the buffer zone to a bordering vegetated wetland and mapped land subject to coastal storm flowage. The project is located at 21 Meadowbrook Lane and is further identified as Lot 14 on Assessor Map 35B. 12/29 (online issue), 1/5

SHERMAN'S LAGOON
by J.P. Toomey



Tundra
by Chad Carpenter

Wareham Art Association. She studied Illustration and Realist Painting at the Boston Museum School of Fine Arts, and has shown her work in numerous exhibitions in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, including the Marion Art Center, The Jonathan Bourne Library, The Thomas Hanley Gallery in Falmouth, The Wareham Library, Don's Art Shop of Warren, The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, ArtWorks of New Bedford, the Annual BWAA Show and Sale, and the Gift Shop of The Cape Cod Museum of Art. Note: A minimum of 5 students is required. Tuition for the class is $180 for MAC members* and $195 for non-members (supplies not included). *Current MAC membership is required for discount. The 2016-2017 Membership Year runs August 1, 2016 - July 31, 2017.

Continuing & Advanced Watercolor Painting for Adults: Fridays, 10:00 am to noon at the MAC Studio; January 20 to March 10 (8 weeks).

This course is a perfect "next step" for those who would like to explore watercolor painting beyond a basic understanding of color and brush strokes. Using the brilliant nature of light (and dark), we'll "push" the medium, adding other water media, brushes, and paper surfaces, and experiment with palette color mixing to capture magic and luminosity. In each class, we will start a new painting together using landscape, still life, the figure, abstract or imaginative thought, or narrative ideas as subjects. Each class will also provide a brief and supportive group "critique". Students will leave with expanded knowledge of technique and traditional and contemporary use of watercolor.

The instructor, Jay Ryan, is a Fairhaven painter and a Gallery Instructor at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. A former K-12 public school art teacher and administrator, Jay has studied at Massachusetts College of Art, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, and Framingham State and Lesley Universities. His work has been locally shown at the Judith Klein Gallery, ArtWorks! and Gallery X in New Bedford, and the Marion Art Center. Note: A minimum of 5 students is required. Tuition for the class is $180 for MAC members* and $195 for non-members (supplies not included). *Current MAC membership is required for discount. The 2016-2017 Membership Year runs August 1, 2016 - July 31, 2017.

For more information about or to register for any of MAC's classes, please call 508-748-1266 or visit: http://www.marionartcenter.org/about/register/.

Chamber Series Presents "Harp Heaven"

On January 14 and 15, the South Coast Chamber Music Series continues its 2016-2017 season with "Harp Heaven." Artistic Director Janice Weber has put together a program sure to chase away the January doldrums, with scintillating music for harp by Ibert and Bax, plus Piston's lively String Quartet and a smoldering Piano Trio by Smetana. Harpist Judy Saiki joins Piotr Buczek (violin),

LEGAL NOTICES

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Town Hall on the Request for Determination of Applicability submitted by DG SERVICE COMPANY, INC. for 23 County Road, Assessor's Map 16, Lots 108 and 279, Mattapoisett, MA The applicant proposes to construct a 2,205-square foot building addition to an existing business/retail building.
12/29 (online issue), 1/5

TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 7:45 pm in the Town House conference room, 2 Spring Street, for a Request for Determination of Applicability (File No. 41D-1638) submitted by JRCP REALTY TRUST for home renovations which include the construction of an enclosed entry and open-covered porch addition on a slab type foundation.

The site is further identified as 7 Vine Street on Assessors' Map 16 as Lot 142A. Plans are available at the Town House for review.
Cynthia Callow, Chairman 1/5

TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 7:25 pm in the Town House conference room, 2 Spring Street, on a Notice of Intent submitted by 120 FRONT STREET LLC for the construction of a residential dwelling with associated pool, pool building, driveway, patios, retaining wall, utilities and grading at 120 Front Street.

The site is further identified as Lot 74 & part of 63D on Marion Assessors' Map 16. Plans are available at the Town House for review.
Cynthia Callow, Chairman 1/5

TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 7:40 pm in the Town House conference room, 2 Spring Street, on a Notice of Intent submitted by ERIC HANSEN to raze the existing dwelling and detached garage and replace with a new single family dwelling with attached garage and to place boulders removed during excavation along the top of bank at 320 Delano Road.

The site is further identified as Lot 3B on Marion Assessors' Map 5. Plans are available at the Town House for review.
Cynthia Callow, Chairman 1/5

TOWN OF MARION
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
LEGAL NOTICE

The Marion Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 11, 2017 at 7:35 pm in the Town House conference room, 2 Spring Street, on a Notice of Intent submitted by GEORGE SILVESTRI for vista pruning of vegetation on this undeveloped parcel within the 100' Buffer Zone to the Boarding Vegetated Wetlands at Seaside Lane.

The site is further identified as Lot 262B on Marion Assessors' Map 19. Plans are available at the Town House for review.
Cynthia Callow, Chairman 1/5

TOWN OF MARION
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
LEGAL NOTICE CASE # 734

The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 pm on Thursday, January 26, 2017, in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of WILLIAM E. & JACQUELYN M. SCHARNICK for a special permit under section 8.6 - Accessory Apartments of the zoning by-law to allow renovation of the existing basement and garage for an accessory apartment within the existing building footprint for use by family member only.

The property, located at 82 Main Street, is further identified as Lot 74A on Assessors' Plan 15.
Marc Leblanc, Chairman 1/5, 1/12

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoisett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following cases:

Application of PAUL GRIFFITH JR., 14 Hereford Hill Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under section 5.1.5.4 of the Zoning By-Law for approval of a preexisting family related apartment. The property is further described as Plot 22, Lot 20 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held at the Mattapoisett Town Hall in the first floor conference room on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 6:00 pm.
Case #1375

Application of DG SERVICE COMPANY, INC., 23 County Road, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under section 3.1.2.2of the Zoning By-Law for permission to build a 2,109 square foot addition to an existing office/retail building. The property is further described as Plot 16, Lots 108 & 279 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held at the Mattapoisett Town Hall in the first floor conference room on Thursday, January 19, 2017 at 6:15 pm.
Case #1376

Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Offices of the Town Clerk and Building Department during normal office hours.
Sincerely,
Susan Akin, Chairperson
Mary Anne Brogan, Clerk
Paul Milott Jr., Norman Lyonnais, Kenneth Pacheco 1/5, 1/12

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room, 1 Constitution Way, Rochester, MA regarding a Request for Determination of Applicability filed by KENNETH JOSEPHSON for property located at 65 Gifford Lane, Rochester, MA 02770, designated as Lot 6A on Assessor's Map 39. The applicant proposes to construct build an 8'7" x 7 10" addition within the 100-foot Buffer Zone of Snow's Pond.

The property owners of record are Kenneth N. & Jeannine M. Josephson, 65 Gifford Lane, Rochester, MA 02770. This meeting is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law.
Michael Conway, Chairman 1/5

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room, 1 Constitution Way, Rochester, MA regarding a Notice of Intent filed by GARY M. MILLS of 74 Snipatuit Road, Rochester, MA 02770 for property located at Old Mill Way & Hartley Road, Rochester, MA 02770, designated as Parcels 27, 27A, 27B & 28 on Assessor's Map 37. The applicant proposes to complete construction of a subdivision road which was originally reviewed and approved in 2008 per Order of Conditions DEP SE 272-457. Construction started in 2009, but was never completed and the above referenced Order of Conditions has since expired. The applicant proposes installation of drainage outfalls, completion of roadway construction, final grading, landscaping, and completion of driveway with added drainage systems within the 100 foot Buffer Zone of Hartley Mills Pond and the associated bordering vegetated wetlands. Siltation controls measures will be implemented.

The property owners of record are Gary M. Mills & Douglas H. Church, 74 Snipatuit Road, Rochester, MA 02770. The applicant's representative is Donald F. Bracken, Jr. P.E. of Bracken Engineering, Inc., 49 Herring Pond Road, Plymouth, MA 02532. This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law.
Michael Conway, Chairperson 1/5

TOWN OF ROCHESTER
CONSERVATION COMMISSION & TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall Conference Room, 1 Constitution Way, Rochester, MA regarding a Notice of Intent filed by CLEAN ENERGY COLLECTIVE, LLC, 146 West Boylston Drive, Worcester, MA 01606 for property located at 268 Mattapoisett Road, Rochester, MA 02770, designated as Lots 1 & 1A on Assessor's Map 4. The applicant proposes cutting of trees up to the 25-foot No Disturb Zone for a majority of the project site. Earthwork, grading and installation of ground-mounted solar photovoltaic solar panels are proposed within the 100-foot Buffer Zone of a bordering vegetated wetland.

The property owners of record are Michael & Johnann Forand, 268 Mattapoisett Road, Rochester, MA 02770. The applicant's representative is Dan Wells of Goddard Consulting, LLC, 291 Main Street, Northborough, MA 01532. This hearing is being held under the Massachusetts Wetland Protection Act, MGL Ch. 131, Section 40 and the Town of Rochester Wetland Protection By-Law.
Michael Conway, Chairperson 1/5

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Whaling Museum for *Moby-Dick* Marathon

It is time for the yearly migration to the New Bedford Whaling Museum. **January 6-8** will mark the 21st annual *Moby-Dick* Marathon at the Museum. The event summons readers and enthusiasts around the globe – from the world's most obsessive literary aficionados, to local school children and everyone in between. Participants will travel back in time to accompany narrator Ishmael on the epic whaling journey and hunt for the elusive white whale.

Since 1995, the Museum has marked the anniversary of author Herman Melville's 1841 departure from the Port of New Bedford and Fairhaven aboard the whaleship *Acushnet* with this mid-winter tradition. Melville would later pen *Moby-Dick*, publishing the famous American novel in 1851. The 25-hour *Moby-Dick* readathon, fueled by caffeine, warm local chowder, theatrical performances, and a fondness for the author's artistry, features inspiring options including a children's marathon, as well as a reading of the abridged Portuguese adaptation of the novel.

Herman Melville's great-great-grandson, Peter Gansevoort Whittemore, will read the classic opening excerpt from *Moby-Dick*, beginning with the famous line, "Call me Ishmael." The reading will move through multiple settings throughout the Museum, as well as the Seamen's Bethel, the actual chapel that the book's "Whalemen's Chapel" is modeled after. The event begins in the Museum's Bourne Building, which houses the world's largest whaleship model. Marathoners can sit amongst the sails, lines, and whaling tools of the time while experiencing the first six chapters. The next section of the book is read, appropriately, at the Seamen's Bethel. Melville attended a service there shortly before he shipped out, and he heard a sermon by the chaplain,

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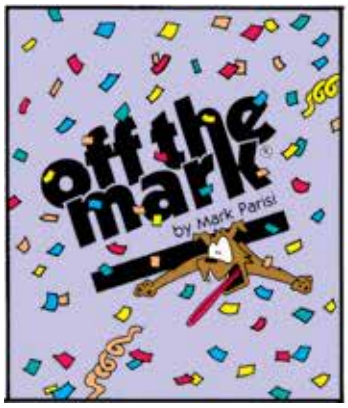

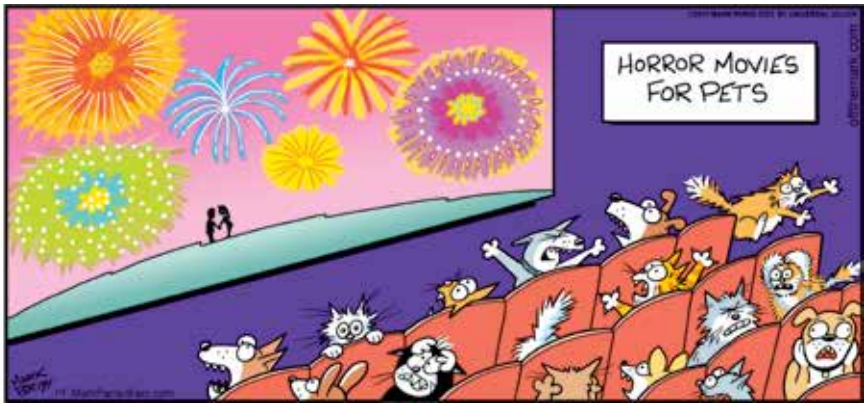

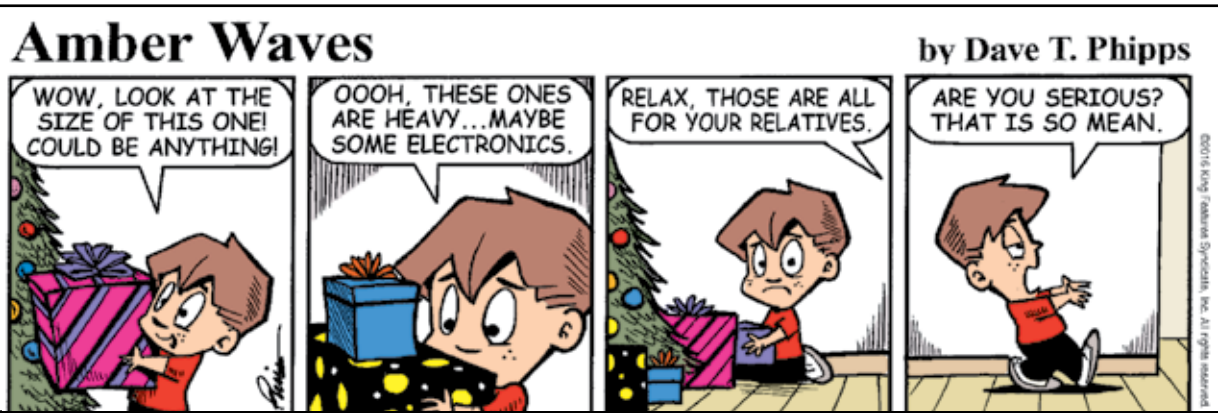

Reverend Enoch Mudge, who was the model for Father Mapple in the book.

The remainder of the book is read non-stop in a gallery with 180-degree views of the fishing fleets and other vessels lining New Bedford harbor, except for a theatrical adaptation of chapter 40 in the Museum's theater.

The entire marathon is peppered with fun Melville-inspired activities throughout, including opportunities to chat with Melville scholars and even a chance to "stump" the scholars by testing their Melville knowledge.

The few hardy souls who brave the voyage through all 136 chapters of the great American epic – from "Etymology" to "Epilogue" – will receive a prize when the marathon comes to an end on Sunday.

Activities begin on Friday, January 6 at 5:30 pm with a ticketed event including the opening of the Melville Society Exhibit, a dinner well-suited for hungry sailors, and an engaging lecture and discussion on Melville and Religion. Friday tickets are $40 for Whaling Museum members, $50 for non-members. To purchase tickets, visit www.whalingmuseum.org or call 508-997-0046.

The main marathon program begins at 10:00 am on Saturday, January 7 and continues through 1:00 pm on Sunday, January 8. Times for events are approximate

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and are dependent on the reading pace of the marathon. All Saturday and Sunday events are free and open to the public. Guests may come and go as needed through the Museum's main entrance.

The entire marathon will be broadcast via livestream in a couple of venues throughout the Museum, as well as online, so enthusiasts around the globe can follow along. Visit www.whalingmuseum.org for a complete schedule of events and more information.

Tabor Boys Hockey to Play at Fenway Park

On **January 11** at 7:45 pm, Tabor Academy and Belmont Hill School will face off as part of events taking place at Capital One Frozen Fenway 2017! Seven high school hockey games have been added to the schedule, joining a pair of Hockey East doubleheaders and several other college hockey matchups. A schedule and tickets for all seven high school games at Capital One Frozen Fenway 2017 are now on sale at redsox.com/frozenfenway.

According to event organizers, "Capital One Frozen Fenway 2017 is a two week series of hockey and ice skating events from January 3-16, 2017, that will showcase Fenway Sports Group's commitment to bringing unique, world class events to historic Fenway Park and the residents of Boston. Capital One Frozen Fenway 2017 will be played over a stretch of 14 days at Fenway Park and feature some of the top collegiate and high school hockey teams from the greater Northeast region."

Tabor's Boys Hockey was selected to play during the Boys High School Hockey Day on Wednesday, January 11, 2017. Tickets will allow access to all games:
- Xaverian vs. Malden Catholic at 1:00 pm
- Boston Latin Academy vs. East Boston at 3:15 pm
- Arlington vs. Burlington at 5:30 pm
- Tabor Academy vs. Belmont Hill at 7:45 pm

Conan Leary, Director of Athletics, shared his enthusiasm: "We are extremely grateful and honored for the invitation to play at Capital One Frozen Fenway! It has been such a wonderful fall for the Seawolves and this event, among others, will help push our excitement and success through the winter. We hope that many alums, families, and friends can join us to cheer on our Boys Hockey Team as they take on Belmont Hill at historic Fenway Park on January 11th."

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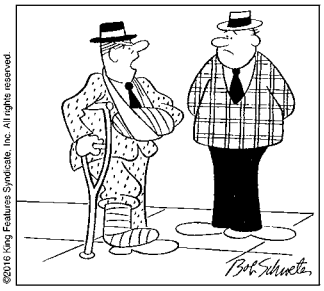

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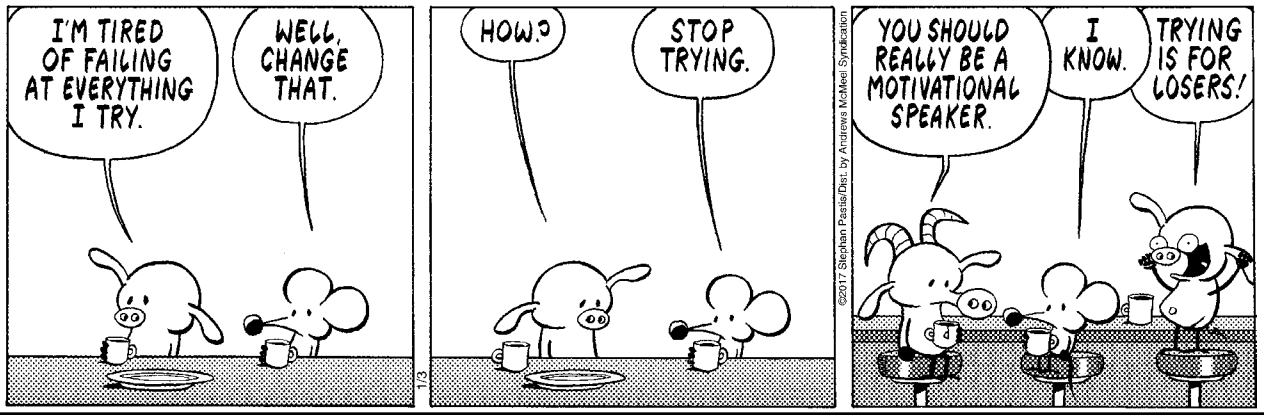

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Perhaps you know someone who is thinking of getting involved in law enforcement. This is a great opportunity for them to participate in the entry level testing process and possibly earn a career in law enforcement.

If you or anyone you know would like further information on this upcoming exam, please visit www.policeexamsolutions.com. All registrations must be done online.

Church Ride Program

Do you miss going to church on Sunday because you are unable to get there? Do you want to go to church but don't want to go alone? The First Congregational Church of Marion is initiating a church ride program for its Sunday service.

A group of volunteers would like to pick you up on Sunday for the church service and take you home afterwards. The worship service begins at 10:00 am and a fellowship time follows the service. The church has an elevator and is handicap accessible.

This is a new program, and all you need to do is call the church office at 508-748-1053 by noon on Friday to arrange for a ride on Sunday. Also, let the office know whether you have any mobility aids such as a walker or wheelchair so that the appropriate vehicle can transport you. We have a team of six drivers who would love to bring you to church. More drivers will be arranged if needed.

We will gladly arrange for this transportation for one week or for every week. Please do not hesitate to call the church office to ask for transportation. Our drivers are happy to transport you.

We are excited about this new program and look forward to seeing you in church.

Marion Cultural Council Members Needed

Are you interested in supporting local cultural events in Marion? Have you considered serving on a board and helping to determine how to disperse funds for cultural events? The Marion Cultural Council is looking for three volunteers interested in serving as voting members who can help share ideas and knowledge when making determinations of how funding for the cultural council is dispensed.

Please contact Kristen Saint Don, Chairperson of the Marion Cultural Council, with any questions about becoming a member. Applications are available at the Marion Town House, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738.

Old Rochester Farmers' Market

Old Rochester's Winter Farmers' Market will run every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month (excluding May 13) from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. The market will include new and old vendor favorites: fresh produce, grass fed non-hormone meats, fresh seafood, sweet and savory pies, breads, pastries, jellies, honey, alpaca garments, cheeses, sauces, coffees, soaps and surprises. There will also be live entertainment each market day with cooking demonstrations and fun for the whole family. Come and please support your local farmers.

Open Skating at Tabor Academy

Open skating – a popular yearly event – takes place on most Sundays from 12:00 - 2:00 pm. Strap on some ice skates and take a turn on the rink during open public skating at Tabor Academy until March 5. Cost is $5 per skater or you may purchase an individual season pass for the discounted rate of $45. Visit www.marionrecreation.com for more information.

REGAIN Addiction Support Group

The REGAIN addiction support group ministry originated from the experiences of individuals feeling led to serve in poor inner-city churches of Southeastern Massachusetts. Finding there was an incredible need for resources, prayer, love and compassion, this 501(c)(3) faith-based ministry was founded. REGAIN does not provide any addiction recovery services for the addict. Its purpose is to form a support network for families and individuals affected by the addiction of a loved one. This is accomplished by helping people REGAIN hope, healing, trust, and power over their lives from the support of others living with the same struggles and difficulties. The REGAIN addiction support group SM meetings are faith-based, observing a no-blame, no-shame policy with all conversations respectfully kept confidential. There is no cost for attending and regional resource materials are provided on recovery programs, family services, education, and faith-based options. Topic demonstrations and trainings are hosted frequently, and prayer is available and voluntary for those needing comfort and strength.

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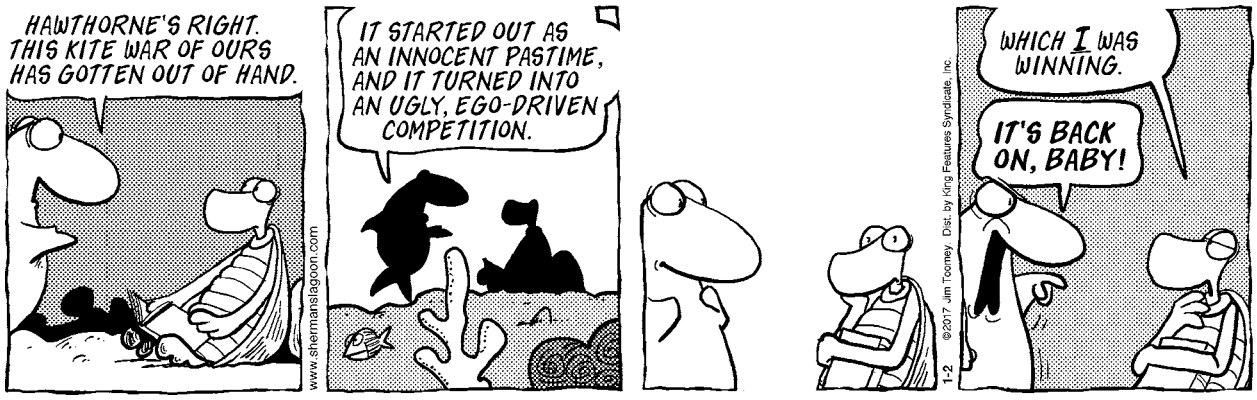

SM meeting location: Mattapoisett (For residents of Mattapoisett, Marion, and Rochester), Council on Aging Room (Center School Building), 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett, on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday from 6:00 - 7:30 pm.

For more information: 774-328-6196, e-mail healing@regainsupport.com, Facebook: regain addiction support group.

Red Cross Volunteers Needed

There are many ways our Red Cross volunteers are involved and give back to the community. They help canteen for our brave first responders, keep you hydrated during a local road race or even a Cape Cod Baseball League game on a hot summer day. We have blood service volunteers that help us fill this critical life-saving need for blood. There are opportunities to volunteer to Service to our Armed Forces, Youth Services and Health and Safety Preparedness, Communication volunteers, Administrative Support – there are so many ways to serve. Our Disaster Action Team (DAT) members help those in crisis: when disaster strikes, the Red Cross is always there. These wonderful volunteers are not only here for our local communities but for those in other areas of the country and the globe that need assistance – everything from flooding, fires, natural disasters, and more. We are looking for all these types of volunteers, people just like you and I who want to help. Don't worry, we provide training and you will be ready and confident in your skills to serve in the best capacity. We can't wait until you join our Team.

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Once you volunteer, you become part of an honorable tradition you can be proud of. Sign up today.

Rochester Historic Commission Seeks New Members

Are you a closet history geek? Were you riveted to the miniseries Patriot? Do ancestry shows like 'Who Do You Think You Are' and the PBS series fascinate you? If you answered yes to any or all of these questions, you might be a prime candidate to join the Rochester Historic Commission.

This Town Committee meets once a month, currently on the first Monday, at the Police Station Meeting Room on Dexter Lane. A meeting date change is planned for the future to return us to the Town Hall where our archives are stored. Due to recent resignations, we currently have openings for two members. Our agenda can be as varied as viewing building plans for developments (to ensure no historic structures are at risk), to updating the MCRIS list of historic properties and areas in Rochester or presenting programs at Rochester Memorial School. And all our meetings include a sharing of any interesting things our members have discovered in the last month.

Rochester has an incredible history for a small town, and it is fascinating to maintain its legacy and find new information to add. If you are interested in joining us, please drop a letter of intent to the Selectmen.

Real Estate Transactions

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Buyer(s)	Seller(s)	Address	City	Date	Price
22 Cove Street LLC	Turnbull, Porter V Turnbull-Lynch, Zora	213 Converse Rd	Marion	12/16/2016	850000
US Bank NA Tr	Mead, Charles A Nationstar Mortgage LLC	137 County Rd	Marion	12/14/2016	279900
Peters, Edward F Peters, Maria C	Jennifer M Watson T 2008 Watson, Jennifer M	7 Crapo St	Marion	12/16/2016	486000
Constitution Properties	Acushnet RT Anagos, Heather	46 Acushnet Rd	Mattapoisett	12/12/2016	120000
Almeida, Gillian Almeida, April	Triple G RT Murphy, Gayle	4 Highland View Ave	Mattapoisett	12/12/2016	425000
Smith, Brian J Carvalho-Smith, Sheila A	Mello, Joseph C Mello, Maureen M	2 Main St	Mattapoisett	12/16/2016	275000
Frank, David R	Thompson FT Thompson, Curtis A	11 Park St	Mattapoisett	12/16/2016	386000
Bradshaw, Timothy J Bradshaw, Victoria H	Szyndlar, Brian T Szyndlar, Suzanne E	31 Alley Rd	Rochester	12/16/2016	538000
Soares, Liberio	US Bank NA Tr	9 Gerrish Rd	Rochester	12/16/2016	330000

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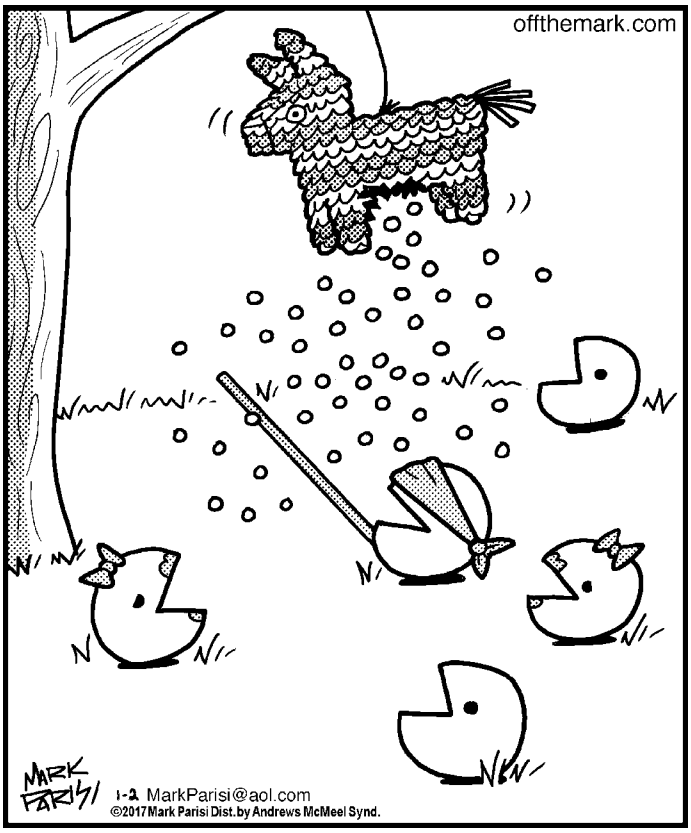
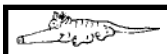
by Mark Parisi



Local Tides

Day	Date	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
Thursday	January 5:	12:41	1:04	6:10	6:36
Friday	January 6:	1:37	2:03	7:30	7:41
Saturday	January 7:	2:37	3:06	9:05	8:48
Sunday	January 8:	3:42	4:12	10:22	9:51
Monday	January 9:	4:47	5:15	11:21	10:49
Tuesday	January 10:	5:46	6:12	12:15	12:03
Wednesday	January 11:	6:41	7:05	. . .	1:07
Thursday	January 12:	7:32	7:56	12:35	1:57
Friday	January 13:	8:22	8:46	1:27	2:41
Saturday	January 14:	9:10	9:35	2:18	3:19
Sunday	January 15:	9:59	10:25	3:05	3:52
Monday	January 16:	10:47	11:16	3:49	4:26
Tuesday	January 17:	11:36	. . .	4:34	5:02
Wednesday	January 18:	12:07	12:25	5:22	5:45
Thursday	January 19:	12:58	1:13	6:21	6:36
Friday	January 20:	1:48	2:03	7:36	7:35
Saturday	January 21:	2:41	2:56	8:57	8:37
Sunday	January 22:	3:39	3:56	9:58	9:35

Phases of the Moon		
	First Quarter	January 5th
	Full Moon	January 12th
	Last Quarter	January 19th
	New Moon	January 27th



I Found the Aardvark!

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer online and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: www.wanderer.com and Click on *I Found the Aardvark*

In the December 29, 2016 issue the Aardvark was on page 24!

PUZZLE ANSWERS

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

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SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Glare; 2. Endow; 3. Elated; 4. Broad

Today's Word

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Sudoku Answer

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